

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH**

**210/2**

**CRM-M-35331-2021**

**DATE OF DECISION: 17.09.2021**

**AJAY SHARMA**

**... Petitioner(s)**

***Versus***

**STATE OF PUNJAB**

**... Respondent(s)**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL**

Present: Mr. Mitul Singh Rana, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

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**ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)**

Case taken up through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.0082 dated 30.09.2020, under Sections 379-B IPC, registered at Police Station Hajipur, District Hoshiarpur.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is not named in the FIR wherein it is alleged that the accused had snatched the gold ear rings and purse of the complainant. He further contends that the petitioner was arrested in another case bearing FIR No.5 dated 07.01.2021, under Section 379-B IPC and on the basis of disclosure statement, the petitioner has been involved in this case but no recovery has been effected from him. He also contends that the petitioner has been granted bail in FIR No.5 dated 07.01.2021. The petitioner is in custody for over 6 months.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Parvesh Kumar, contends that challan has been filed but no prosecution witness has been examined.

Heard.

In view of the above, especially when the petitioner is in custody for almost 7 months, no recovery has been effected from him, the COVID-19 pandemic and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

**(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)**  
**JUDGE**

**17.09.2021**

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| Whether reportable        | : | Yes / No |