

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

CRM-M-37035-2020

Date of decision:27.01.2021

Manav Begra

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Amandeep Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. M.S. Nagra, AAG, Punjab.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

Custody certificate by way of an affidavit dated 27.01.2021 of Deputy Superintendent, Central Jail, Ludhiana, filed through email, is taken on record.

Through this petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C., the petitioner seeks regular bail in case bearing FIR No.284 dated 16.11.2019 registered under Sections 326, 148, 149, 34 IPC (Section 307 IPC added later on) at Police Station GRP, District Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the allegations against the petitioner is that he had caused injury, attracting Section 326 IPC, on the person of the complainant but later on, Section 307 IPC was added. It is further stated that there is a delay of 8 days in lodging the FIR and the petitioner has been in custody since 03.07.2020.

Learned State counsel, while opposing the prayer for grant of regular bail, does not dispute the custody period of the petitioner. He

further states that the challan has already been presented but the charges are yet to be framed.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

The petitioner has been in custody since 03.07.2020. Trial of the case would take time to conclude. Therefore, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars.

In view of the above, without commenting anything on the merits, lest it should prejudice the case of either side, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

27.01.2021

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(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking?	Yes/No
Whether reportable?	Yes/No