

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-37992 of 2020
Date of Decision: 08.02.2021

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..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH

Present: Mr. M. S.Kathuria, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap, DAG, Punjab

AMOL RATTAN SINGH, J. (ORAL)

Case heard via video conferencing.

By this petition, the petitioner seeks the concession of 'regular bail' under the provisions of Section 439 of the Cr.P.C., upon FIR no.28, dated 09.02.2020, having been registered at Police Station Jamalpur, District Ludhiana, alleging therein the commission of an offence punishable under Section 304 of the IPC read with Section 34 thereof.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the merits of the case apart, the petitioner has been in custody for the past one year, with the trial still to commence.

Learned State counsel, upon query, submits that as per his instructions, the petitioner has been in custody since 10.02.2020, with the report

under Section 173 of the Cr.P.C. having been submitted to the competent court in April 2020, but with the charge still to be framed (seemingly due to the ongoing pandemic).

He further submits, upon query, that as per the instructions of ASI Subhash Raj, there is no other criminal case registered against the petitioner.

That being so, without making any comment on the actual merits of the case, the petition is allowed, with the petitioner ordered to be admitted to bail to the satisfaction of the trial court/CJM/Duty Magistrate concerned.

February 08, 2021
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(AMOL RATTAN SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes
Whether Reportable	No