

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

CRM-M-41012-2020 (O&M)

Date of decision: 19.01.2021

Mohan Lal Verma

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Vinod Ghai, Sr. Advocate with
Ms. Kanika Ahuja, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Parveen Kumar Aggarwal, DAG Haryana.

Mr. Sunish Aggarwal, Advocate for the complainant.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

Through this petition, the petitioner seeks regular bail in case bearing FIR No.195 dated 01.09.2020, registered at Police Station -Chappar, District Yamuna Nagar, under Sections 304-B & 34 IPC (Section 406 IPC added later on).

Learned Senior counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is father-in-law of deceased-Neha Verma. The marriage of deceased-Neha Verma was solemnised with Amit Verma, son of the petitioner on 24.11.2017. Out of this wedlock, no child was born. He further submits that the deceased was constantly unwell and was ultimately operated upon in July, 2019 and because of that she had committed suicide. The petitioner being father-in-law of the deceased has nothing to do with the matrimonial affairs of his son Amit Verma with deceased Neha Verma.

Learned Senior counsel for the petitioner points out that the petitioner is 67 years old and suffering from several serious ailments and has remained admitted in the hospital i.e. 08.10.2020 to 29.10.2020 during his custody period and he was also found Covid-19 positive. The petitioner has been in custody since 05.10.2020.

Learned State counsel has not disputed the fact regarding the custody period of the petitioner and further states that challan has been presented but the petitioner cannot claim himself to be innocent. The doctor found a large dermoid in the person of the deceased.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

The petitioner has been in custody since 05.10.2020. Challan has been presented. The petitioner is father-in-law of the deceased. The petitioner is 67 years old and suffering from several serious ailments. Moreover, he was also found Covid-19 positive. The trial will take time to conclude and 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 petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

19.01.2021

Mangal Singh

Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes/No
Yes/No