

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

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**CRM-M-41561-2020(O&M)
Date of decision:22.03.2021**

GURTEJ SINGH @ TEJA

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present:- Mr. Nirmanjeet Singh Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Randhir Singh Thind, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J.

The hearing of the case was held through video conferencing on account of restricted functioning of the Courts.

This is second petition for grant of bail pending trial in a criminal case arising from FIR No.87, dated 11.07.2019, registered under Section 302 IPC and Section 25/27 of the Arms Act, 1959, at Police Station Nehianwala, District Bathinda.

The first application was dismissed on 20.07.2020, with the following order:-

“This petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in a criminal case arising from FIR No.87 dated 11.7.2019, registered under Section 302 IPC and Section 25/27 of the Arms Act at Police Station Nehianwala, District Bathinda.

As per the case of the prosecution, the petitioner has murdered his own mother with his own licensed revolver. Report of the ballistic expert has already been produced.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that 15 prosecution witnesses have already been examined and they have not supported the case of the prosecution.

In the present case, trial has already made substantial progress. Hence, this Court does not find it appropriate to consider the prayer for bail at this stage. However, the present petition is disposed of with a request to the learned Trial Court to make a sincere endeavour to expeditiously conclude the trial.”

Mr. Randhir Singh Thind, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, has informed the Court that the prosecution has already concluded its evidence before the trial Court and now the case is fixed for defence evidence.

Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, this Bench does not find it appropriate to consider the request for grant of bail to the petitioner, at this stage.

However, the trial Court is requested to make a sincere endeavour for expeditious disposal of the case.

Disposed of accordingly.

22.03.2021

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(ANIL KSHETARPAL)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No