

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

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CRM-M-43174-2020

Date of Decision:04.01.2021

GURTEJ SINGH @ MADDI AND ANR

....Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

....Respondent

CORAM HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE LALIT BATRA

Present: Mr. Harneet Singh Oberoi, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. H. S. Sitta, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Rahul Vijay Singh Chugh, Advocate
for the complainant.

Lalit Batra, J.(Oral)

Case has been taken up for hearing through Video Conferencing.

Present petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C is for grant of regular bail to petitioners-**Gurtej Singh @ Maddi** and **Sukhdeep Singh @ Kala** in case F.I.R. No.92 dated 29.03.2020 under Sections 380 and 458 IPC, registered at Police Station Sadar Mansa, District Mansa.

Learned counsel for the petitioners *inter alia* contends that petitioners have no nexus whatsoever with the alleged offence. He further submits that petitioners are in custody since 15.09.2020 and they are no more required by the Police for any investigation purpose. He further submits that challan has already been presented in the Court. He further

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urges that since trial of the case would take sufficient time to conclude, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioners in custody further and they may be released on bail.

On the other hand, learned State counsel assisted by learned counsel for complainant while opposing instant petition has vehemently argued that keeping in view seriousness of offence, petitioners do not deserve the concession of bail.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

At this stage, without commenting anything on the merits of the case lest it may prejudice the outcome of the trial but taking into consideration the fact that petitioners are in custody since 15.09.2020; that trial of the case would take sufficient time to conclude, no useful purpose would be served by detaining the petitioners in custody further, thus, they deserve the concession of bail.

In view of above, instant petition for grant of regular bail moved by petitioners- **Gurtej Singh @ Maddi** and **Sukhdeep Singh @ Kala** is allowed and they are ordered to be released on bail on their furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of Trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, Mansa, as the case may be.

(LALIT BATRA)
JUDGE

04.01.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No