

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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**CRM-M-37653-2019 (O & M)
Date of Decision: March 22, 2021**

AMIT

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr.Ranbir Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Bhupender Singh, DAG, Haryana.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.106 dated 30.01.2018, under Sections 148, 149, 302, 506, 195-A IPC, registered at Police Station Sadar Karnal, District Karnal.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged in the FIR that the petitioner has been attributed a solitary knife blow on the stomach of the deceased. The petitioner and his brother were themselves injured in the occurrence. The petitioner had suffered a fracture on his elbow. He has referred to the affidavit filed by Deputy Superintendent of Police, Karnal. A cross-case at the behest of the petitioner was also registered. The petitioner is in custody for over 03 years since his arrest on 09.03.2018.

Learned State counsel, however, contends that the prosecution evidence has been concluded and now the matter is being delayed at the behest of the petitioner, which is controverted by the learned counsel for the petitioner, who states that as the trial in the cross-case is going on and despite the best efforts by the petitioner to produce evidence, trial could not make progress due to Covid 19 pandemic..

In view of the above, especially when the petitioner is in custody for over 03 years, he himself was injured in the occurrence, Covid 19 pandemic and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

March 22, 2021
A.Kaundal

Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No