

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-44027-2020

DATE OF DECISION: 18.02.2021

SANDEEP KUMAR

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Daljeet Singh Virk, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Chetan Sharma, AAG, Haryana.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.91 dated 29.04.2020, under Sections 323 & 365 IPC (Sections 325, 367 and 34 IPC added subsequently), registered at Police Station Nathusarai Chopta, District Sirsa.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged that the petitioner had abducted the complainant, beaten him up and he was forcibly made to consume alcohol. The complainant was asked to make a call to his parents that he had stolen money from the liquor shop and he has to return Rs.30,000/-. He, however, contends that the complainant was left in the village on the same day and he has fully recovered from the injuries. The matter has been compromised and in the petition for quashing bearing CRM No.M-2116-2021, statements of the parties have been recorded and the matter is now listed on 04.03.2021. The petitioner is in custody since his arrest on 20.10.2020. The co-accused Shankar and Rohtash @ Dholu have been granted bail by this Court in CRM-M-26230-2020 on 10.09.2020 and CRM-M-21446-2020 on 20.08.2020 respectively.

Learned State counsel contends that challan has been filed but charges are yet to be framed. He further submits that the petitioner is also involved in several other cases.

Heard.

In view of the above, especially when the petitioner is in custody for over 3 ½ months, the matter has been compromised, the 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 instant 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

18.02.2021

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