

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

CRM-M-1146-2022 (O&M)

Date of decision: 17.01.2022

Amardeep Singh @ Deep

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Ravi Malhotra, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Kirat Singh Sidhu, DAG Punjab.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

The petitioner has filed this petition under Section 439 of Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail in case FIR No. 195 dated 18.07.2021, registered under Sections 379-B, 411 IPC and Section 25 of the Arms Act, 1959, at Police Station Focal Point, District Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the FIR was registered on the complaint of Inder Tiwari, who is a contractor by profession, and instead of paying wages has falsely implicated the petitioner, who is a labour by profession. There is no specific attribution to the petitioner. The petitioner has been in custody since 18.07.2021. Moreover, co-accused, Harjinder Singh @ Harry, towards whom attribution was that he had pointed out a pistol on the complaint, has already been granted regular

bail, vide order dated 20.12.2021 passed by this Court. Other similarly placed co-accused, Bobby, has also been granted regular bail by this Court vide order dated 20.12.2021.

Learned State counsel, while vehemently opposing the prayer for bail submits that the petitioner along with other co-accused has snatched Rs. 43,000/- from the complainant. However, he does not dispute the custody period of the petitioner. He submits that challan stands presented and prosecution witnesses are yet to be examined.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

The petitioner has been in custody since 18.07.2021. Challan stands presented. The prosecution witnesses are yet to be examined. Therefore, the conclusion of the trial would taken a long time. Moreover, other co-accused are on bail. Hence, 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 on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

17.01.2022
Mangal Singh

Whether reasoned/speaking?	Yes/No
Whether reportable?	Yes/No