

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

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CRM-M-2131-2022

Date of Decision: 16.03.2022

Lovejit Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM:HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present: Mrs. G.K. Mann, Sr. Advocate with
Mr. Sunil Kamboj, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rehat Bir Singh Mann, DAG, Punjab.

HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

Present petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (Cr.P.C.) for grant of concession of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.0113 dated 31.07.2021 under Sections 379-B(2) and 34 IPC, registered at Police Station Verka, District Police Commissionerate Amritsar.

FIR was lodged on the complaint of one Dara Singh, who stated that on 31.07.2021 at about 1:00 p.m. he alongwith his nephew, namely, Rohit was going on a cycle. When they reached near verka bypass, three young men armed with *datar* came on splendor motorcycle. They forced the complainant to stop and asked him to handover everything. When the complainant resisted one of them inflicted a *datar* blow from the reverse side and snatched the mobile phone of the complainant.

Learned Senior counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner is in custody since 02.08.2021. It is further stated that the

investigation in the case is complete. Challan has been filed. There is only one case under the NDPS Act registered against the petitioner, however, he is on bail in the said case.

In view of the above and the fact that the trial is unlikely to conclude in near future more so in the wake of outbreak of pandemic COVID. No useful purpose will be served by keeping the petitioner in custody till the final disposal of the case.

Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this criminal miscellaneous petition is allowed and the petitioner-Lovejit Singh is ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate, Chief Judicial Magistrate, concerned.

It is made clear that in case the petitioner indulges in any similar activity while on bail, the prosecution agency will be at liberty to seek the cancellation of the order granting bail to the petitioner.

[HARINDER SINGH SIDHU]
JUDGE

March 16, 2022
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Whether speaking/reasoned	yes/no
Whether reportable?	yes/no