

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

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CRM-M-3446 of 2022

Date of Decision:-15.12.2022

Sunil Kumar @ Sheela

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH

Present:- Mr. Jasneet Mehra, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. C.L. Pawar, Addl., A.G. Punjab.

KARAMJIT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Prayer is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case having FIR No.109 dated 29.10.2008, registered under Sections 307, 326, 160 of IPC at Police Station "D" Division, Amritsar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is behind the bars for the last more than 1 year and 5 months and the trial is not progressing ahead and charges are yet to be framed and thus it will take considerable time for the trial to conclude even after framing of charges. So, prayer is made that the petitioner be released on regular bail.

The present petition is resisted by the State counsel who on instructions from ASI Charan Singh submits that during the investigation of the case he was arrested but he jumped bail and was rearrested on 5.6.2021. However, the State counsel has not disputed the custody period of the petitioner and the fact that the trial is yet to begin.

As per the custody certificate furnished by the State counsel, the petitioner is in custody for the last more than 01 year and 05 months and admittedly charges are yet to be framed and ever thereafter it will take considerable time for the trial to terminate, so no purpose is going to be served

by prolonging the judicial custody of the petitioner.

Thus without commenting on the merits of the case, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/CJM/Duty Magistrate concerned.

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(KARAMJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

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