

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

CRM-M-2796-2022(O&M)

Date of decision: 15.09.2022

Ranjit Singh @ Pindi

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Dharam Pal, Advocate for
Mr. A.K. Walia, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. I.P.S. Sabharwal, DAG Punjab.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner has filed this petition under Section 439 of Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail in case FIR No. 32 dated 29.12.2020, registered under Sections 307, 324, 323, 148, 149 IPC read with Section 34 IPC, at Police Station GRP Sangrur, District Sangrur.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has falsely been implicated in the present case; that the FIR was registered on the statement of Gurmeet Kaur wife of late Gurbachan Singh; that though the petitioner has been shown armed with a Sword/*Kirpan* yet there is no specific attribution to him; that the petitioner has been in custody since 30.01.2021 and that the petitioner is not involved in any other case.

Learned State counsel, while vehemently opposing the prayer for

bail, submits that the petitioner has been specifically named in the FIR and has actively participated in the occurrence. The petitioner was armed with the *Kirpan*. However, he does not dispute the custody period of the petitioner and the fact that there is no other case against the petitioner. He submits that none of the prosecution witness has been examined so far.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

The petitioner has been in custody since 30.01.2021. There is no specific attribution to the petitioner. Moreover, there is no other case against the petitioner. The prosecution witnesses are yet to be examined. Therefore, the conclusion of the trial would take a long time. 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

15.09.2022
Mangal Singh

Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes/No
Yes/No