

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Sr. No. 213

CRM-M-6305-2022

Date of decision : 05.05.2022

Manjinder Singh

..... Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr.Piyush Sharma, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Ms.Gunkirat Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (ORAL)

The present petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for the grant of regular bail in FIR No.77 dated 11.08.2021, registered under Sections 304-B and 34 IPC (Section 34 IPC deleted later on) at Police Station Zira, District Ferozepur.

The petitioner is being prosecuted for having abetted his wife's suicide.

Seeking regular bail for the petitioner, learned counsel submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case; no other criminal case is pending against him; he is in custody since 16.09.2021; all material witnesses of the prosecution have been examined; the complainant while appearing before the Trial Court as PW-1 has completely exonerated the petitioner making the chances of the petitioner's conviction nil and that since 25 prosecution witnesses still remain to be examined in the petitioner's trial, the same is likely to take a long time to conclude.

Learned State counsel opposes the grant of bail to the petitioner on the ground that the petitioner has abetted his wife's suicide.

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In view of the above, the present case is considered to be a fit one in which the petitioner be directed to be released on regular bail. Resultantly, subject to the satisfaction of the CJM/Duty Magistrate, Ferozepur, the petitioner is directed to be released on bail.

It is clarified that the above observations have been made only for the limited purpose of deciding the present regular bail application and the same would not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

05.05.2022
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[DEEPAK SIBAL]
JUDGE

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