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

**CRM-M-11863-2022
Date of Decision: 13.07.2022**

Surinder Kumar @ Neetu

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

Present: Mr. Anshul Sharma, Advocate for
Mr. Nitin Mittoo, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. R.S. Thind, DAG, Punjab.

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI, J. (ORAL)

The present petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in FIR No.257, dated 01.11.2021 under Sections 379(B) of the IPC (Section 411 of the IPC added later on), registered at Police Station Model Town, District Hoshiarpur.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is in custody since 01.11.2021. He further submitted that investigation of the case has been completed and challan has also been presented but no witness has been examined till date. He also submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case and is not involved in any other case, and therefore, he may be considered for the grant of regular bail.

On the other hand, Mr. R.S. Thind, learned Deputy Advocate

General, Punjab has submitted that it is a case where the complainant was travelling in an auto and he was pushed by the petitioner and he fell down and the petitioner snatched an amount of Rs.25,000/- from him and thereafter another person, who was sitting in the auto, had caught him on the spot and amount was also recovered from him. He further submitted that the charges were framed on 28.03.2022 and neither the complainant has been examined nor any eye-witness or any other witness has been examined and there is likelihood that in case the petitioner is released on bail then he may influence the witness and may abscond.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

As per the allegations, the petitioner was caught on the spot along with money which he allegedly snatched from the complainant. None of the witness has been examined. The apprehension expressed by the learned State counsel cannot be ignored.

In view of the aforesaid facts and circumstances, no ground is made out to grant regular bail to the petitioner. Consequently, the present petition is hereby dismissed.

However, anything observed hereinabove shall not be treated as an expression of opinion on merits of the case and is only meant for the purpose of decision of present petition.

13.07.2022

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(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

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| 1. Whether speaking/reasoned: | Yes/No |
| 2. Whether reportable: | Yes/No |