

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-19045-2022 (O&M)
Date of decision: 12.05.2022

Gurpreet Singh

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. F.S. Virk, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of regular bail in FIR No.75 dated 12.06.2021 under Sections 489-A, 489-B, 489-C, 489-D IPC, registered at Police Station Sadar Rajpura, District Patiala.

Learned counsel for the petitioner relies upon the order dated 21.04.2022 passed in CRM-M-34987 & 38543-2021, vide which two co-accused of the petitioner, namely Shri Kant and Paramjot Singh, who were also in the same car, from which the recovery was effected, have been granted the concession of regular bail, by passing the following order: -

“...Learned counsel for the petitioner, appearing on behalf of

petitioner Shri Kant, submits that as per allegations in the FIR, initially three persons, namely Gurpreet Singh, Gurmeet Singh and Paramjot Singh, were nominated on the basis of a secret information and recovery of fake currency notes of the denomination of Rs. 500, totaling Rs.95,000/-, was effected from them. Petitioner Shri Kant was later on nominated on the disclosure of one of the aforesaid co-accused and after his arrest, fake currency notes of Rs. 2500/- and one printer were recovered from him.

Learned counsel, appearing for petitioner Paramjot Singh, submits that the recovery was effected from a car, which was driven by co-accused Gurpreet Singh.

It is further submitted that both the petitioners are in judicial custody for the last more than 10 months; they are not involved in any other such or similar case and conclusion of trial is likely to take a long time as out of total 10 prosecution witnesses, only 01 witness has been examined so far.

Learned State counsel has filed the custody certificates and has not disputed the factual position and it is submitted that challan stands presented; charges have been framed and out of total 10 prosecution witnesses, 01 witness has been examined...”

For the sake of brevity, facts are not reproduced again.

Learned counsel submits that the petitioner is in custody for the last

10 months and 29 days and is not involved in any similar case.

Learned State counsel has filed the custody certificate in the Court today and has not disputed the fact that the petitioner is not involved in any similar case, though he is involved in one case under Section 323 IPC.

After hearing learned counsel for the parties, without commenting anything on merits of the case and considering aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case, this petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail subject to furnishing his bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

Petition is disposed of.

[ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN]
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No