

HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

207-CRM-M-32202-2022

Date of Decision: 19.12.2022

Jeeto & Ors.

... Petitioners

VS.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL

Present: Ms. Manjit Kaur, Advocate for
Mr. SS Gill, Advocate for the petitioners

Sandeep Moudgil, J. (Oral)

The petitioners seek regular bail in case FIR No.223 dated 05.10.2021 under Sections 379-B/34/201 IPC, registered at Police Station Rama Mandi, District Jalandhar.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the allegations under Section 379-B IPC have been raised against the petitioners, who have been falsely implicated. It is alleged that the petitioners have snatched two gold bangles forcibly, using cutter on the left hand of the complainant. It is the case of the prosecution that the petitioners had confessed the commissioning of the offence in the present case, who were brought on production warrants in some other FIR and therefore, the recovery of stolen bangles could not be effected.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Rajiv Verma, DAG Punjab accepts notice who submits that in fact, the manner in which theft has been committed *qua* the old lady-complainant, who was pushed and thrown in the bushes. He submits that the petitioners are the habitual offenders, who have been found involved in 20 other such like cases, as on date.

Be that as it may, since the petitioners, who were arrested on 09.05.2022, are behind the bars for the last more than 7 months and also looking at the totality of facts and circumstances and in view of the fact that the conclusion of the trial is likely to take long time and, therefore, no fruitful purpose will be served by keeping the petitioners behind bars, the petitioners are directed to be released on regular bail on furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

The present petition is, therefore, allowed.

19.12.2022

V.Vishal

- 1. *Whether speaking/reasoned?*
- 2. *Whether reportable?*

(Sandeep Moudgil)
Judge

Yes/No
Yes/No