

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

**CRM-M No.34839 of 2022 (O&M)
Date of decision : 30.11.2022**

Sandeep Singh @ Deepi

..... Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE PANKAJ JAIN

Present :- Mr. Jasdev Singh Brar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sarabjit Singh Cheema, DAG, Punjab.

PANKAJ JAIN, J. (ORAL)

This petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case F.I.R. No.72 dated 05.07.2022 registered under Sections 25, 54, 59 of Arms Act at Police Station Meharban, Ludhiana.

Counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegation against the petitioner is that he was found to be in possession of 32 bore 'desi' pistol along with five live cartridges. The investigation already stands concluded and the challan stands presented. There is no purpose for prolonging the incarceration of the petitioner, as he cannot be kept in custody as punishment. The petitioner is in custody since 04.07.2022.

Learned State counsel submits that the petitioner is a habitual offender and has as many as 7 more FIRs registered against him. However, he does not dispute the fact that in the present case challan stands presented

and it is not a case of any injury caused by the petitioner.

Without commenting on the merits of the case and keeping in view the fact that the investigation stands concluded, challan stands presented and the incarceration already suffered by the petitioner, the present petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Ld. Trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

Needless to say that anything observed herein shall not be construed to be an opinion on the merits of the case.

(PANKAJ JAIN)
JUDGE

30.11.2022
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes
Whether Reportable :	No