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

CRM-M-46659-2021 (O & M)

Date of decision: 13.01.2022

Puneet Kumar @ Puneet Bains @ Manni

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Ashish Soi, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. H.S.Sitta, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. H.S.Sidhu, Advocate,
for the complainant.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

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Allowed as prayed for. Annexure A-1 is taken on record.

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Through this second petition, the petitioner seeks regular bail in case bearing FIR No.260 dated 09.10.2019, registered at Police Station Moti Nagar, Ludhiana, under Sections 307, 323, 506, 148 and 149 IPC and Sections 25 and 27 of the Arms Act, 1959.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that no role was been attributed to the petitioner; that the petitioner has been in custody

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since 01.10.2020; that co-accused, namely, Krishna Sahni @ Ladu and Manpritpal Singh @ Pretty @ Bretty stand enlarged on bail by this Court, vide orders dated 17.11.2020 (Annexures P-3 and P-4); that so far as other cases registered against the petitioner, are concerned, he stands released on bail therein, and that moreover, a compromise has been effected between the parties. On this premise, the learned counsel prays for the grant of bail to the petitioner.

On the other hand, learned State counsel, while opposing the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner for bail, submits that the petitioner is a habitual offender and involved in some other cases. The challan stands presented and out of 26 prosecution witnesses, none has been examined so far.

However, learned counsel for the complainant does not dispute the factum of compromise effected between the parties.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

The challan stands presented. The petitioner has been in custody since 01.10.2020. As noticed above, co-accused, namely, Krishna Sahni @ Ladu and Manpritpal Singh @ Pretty @ Bretty stand enlarged on bail by this Court, and the petitioner stands released on bail in other cases registered against him. Trial of the case is in the offing which is unlikely to conclude any time soon. Therefore, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars.

In view of the above, without commenting anything on the merits, lest it should prejudice the case of either side, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his

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furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial
Court/Duty Magistrate.

13.01.2022
parveen kumar

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking?	Yes/No
Whether reportable?	Yes/No