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

Date of decision-23.02.2022

1. CRM-M-47250-2021

Raj Kumar @ Lalli

....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

2. CRM-M-16588-2021

Karamjeet Singh

....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

3. CRM-M-27423-2021

Anvinder Singh @ Anu

....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present: Mr. J.S.Moudgill, Advocate for the petitioners
in CRM-M-47250-2021 and CRM-M-16588-2021.

Mr. Amandeep Singh, Advocate for the petitioner
in CRM-M-27423-2021.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, DAG, Punjab.

MANOJ BAJAJ, J.

Petitioners have filed these separate petitions under Section 439 Cr.P.C for grant of regular bail pending trial in case FIR No.16 dated 07.02.2021 under Sections 379-B, 323 and 34 Indian Penal Code, 1860 PC (Sections 201 and 411 IPC added later on) registered at Police Station City Dhuri, District Sangrur, who were arrested on 08.02.2021.

The contents of the FIR as noticed by the Sessions Judge,

Sangrur in his order dated 17.09.2021 (in CRM-M-47250-2021) are as under:-

“As per allegations of the prosecution on 06.02.2021 at about 10:00 PM complainant Dilpreet Singh was coming back from his fields situated on Bhalwan-Dhuri Road and when he reached near the railway crossing Dohla, then from the side of Dhuri three persons came by a motorcycle bearing registration No. PB-13BB-8881 Make TVS Apache. They stopped the motorcycle near the complainant and the last pillion rider of motorcycle was having iron rod in his hand and the person sitting in the middle was having weapon like iron kirch. The person who was sitting last on the motorcycle gave iron rod blow on his head and the person sitting in between the driver and pillion rider gave iron kirch blow which hit on the upper part of his right foot as a result of which he fell down. The person sitting on the last of the motorcycle snatched his wallet containing his Aadhar card, Rs.2,000/- in cash and other important documents from his pocket. Another person snatched his mobile Make M.I. Meanwhile his father Gurpal Singh was coming to receive him from the fields and on seeing the lights of his motorcycle all the persons fled away from the spot.”

Learned counsel for the petitioners have argued that as per the allegations, the petitioners snatched the mobile phone, purse containing Rs.2000/- and Aadhar card of the complainant, namely, Dilpreet Singh. According to them, the petitioners are not involved in any other case much less of similar nature. It is pointed out that the investigation of the case is complete and charges have been framed on 24.12.2021, however, no prosecution witness has been examined till date. They prayed for bail

On the other hand, learned State counsel assisted by ASI Ranjeet Singh opposed the prayer, however, it is not disputed by him

that the petitioners are not involved in any other case. He on instructions further states that the case is now fixed for 25.02.2022 for recording the prosecution evidence before the trial Court.

Considering the above background, custody of the petitioners and the fact that the trial is yet to commence, this Court is of the opinion that the conclusion of trial is likely to consume considerable time, therefore, further detention of the petitioners may not serve any useful purpose.

Resultantly, without meaning any expression of opinion on the merits of the case, it is ordered that the petitioners be released on regular bail subject to their furnishing requisite bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

The petitions are allowed.

23.02.2022

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**(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No