

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

CRM-M-53421-2021

Date of Decision: 7th January, 2022

Labh Singh @ Satnam Waheguru

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present : Ms. Jasleen Kaur, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG, Punjab
for the respondent-State.

AVNEESH JHINGAN , J.(Oral)

1. Due to COVID-19 situation, the Court is convened through video conference.

2. This is a petition seeking regular bail in FIR No. 145, dated 15th May, 2020, under Sections 323, 324, 307, 148, 149 and 120-B IPC (Section 302 IPC added later on) registered at Police Station Sultanpur Lodhi, District Kapurthala.

3. The FIR was at the behest of Nirmal Singh. It was alleged that the complainant was rendering services as an attendant in Baba Budha Dal Chhauni Nihang Singh Sultanpur Lodhi where 40/45 Nihangs were also serving. On 14th May, 2020 night, Chaini Singh, Kala Singh, Harjinder Singh alongwith 6/7 more persons were making noise. Kuldeep Singh @ Sewak @ Shaheed restrained them from talking loudly, on which there was a scuffle. There was use of gandasi and swords, injuries were inflicted.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is not named in the FIR. There is no overt act attributed to the petitioner. The

petitioner is in custody since 13th June, 2021. He relied upon the fact that the co-accused was granted bail by this Court.

5. Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Balwinder Singh opposes the prayer for grant of bail.

6. Considering the facts in totality, especially that no recovery is to be made, the investigation is complete, co-accused has been granted bail and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take time, petitioner is granted bail on furnishing surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

7. The petition is allowed.

8. It is clarified that the observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

7th January, 2022
Parveen Sharma

(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

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