

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

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**CRM-M No. 8833 of 2023
Date of Decision : 23.2.2023**

Daljit Singh and another

..... Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA

Present: Mr. Lakshay Bector, Advocate, for the petitioners
Mr. Kunal Vinayak, AAG, Punjab

TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA J. (ORAL):

This is a petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. seeking regular bail to the petitioners in case FIR No.27 dated 16.2.2022 under Sections 304-B and 120-B IPC registered at Police Station Sadar, Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the petitioners/ father-in-law and husband of the deceased, are in custody since 16.2.2022. All material prosecution witnesses stand examined, who are PW-1, the complainant (deceased's father), PW-2, the mediator and PW-3, a relative of theirs. Their statements are on record as Annexures P-2 to P-4 respectively. None of them has supported the prosecution. Learned counsel further submits that a son, aged two years, born to the petitioner/husband and the deceased, also needs to be taken care of. He is at present in husband's brother's custody.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Kulbir Singh, submits that trial is progressing and fourteen remaining witnesses will soon be examined. He does not deny that no other case is pending against the petitioners.

In view of the facts aforesaid, it is apparent that trial of the case is not likely to conclude in near future as fourteen witnesses still remain to be

examined. At the same time, material witnesses have already been examined, and the infant, who needs parental care of the petitioner/husband, remains in custody of his brother. Therefore, it is deemed appropriate to admit the petitioners to regular bail.

Accordingly, the petition is allowed. The petitioners are ordered to be released on bail on their furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

(TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA)
JUDGE

23.2.2023
Ashwani

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