

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

Sr. No.212

**CRM-M-9674-2023 (O&M)**

**Date of decision : 28.02.2023**

Jaswant Singh

..... Petitioner

**VERSUS**

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL**

Present: Mr. P.S. Jammu, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Himmat Singh, DAG, Haryana

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**SUDHIR MITTAL, J. (Oral)**

The petitioner seeks regular bail in case FIR No.298 dated 26.06.2022, registered at Police Station Sadar Dabwali, District Sirsa, under Sections 147, 148, 149, 307, 323, 341 & 506 IPC and Section 25 of the Arms Act, 1959.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the identically situated co-accused have been granted regular bail by this Court vide order dated 13.02.2023. The petitioner has been in custody for over 06 months and the trial is not likely to be concluded at an early date as only 03 PWs out of a total of 20 PWs have been examined as yet. Thus, the petitioner may be granted regular bail.

Custody certificate dated 25.02.2023 digitally signed by Sh. Ramesh Kumar, Deputy Superintendent, District Prison, Sirsa has been filed in Court. The same is taken on record. A perusal thereof shows that the petitioner has undergone actual custody of 06 months and 23 days and there is one other criminal case pending against him in which he is on bail.

Learned State counsel concedes that only 03 PWs out of a total of 20 PWs have been examined till date and that similarly situated co-accused have been granted regular bail by this Court vide order dated 13.02.2023.

Keeping in view the principle of parity as well as the fact that the trial is not likely to be concluded at an early date, I deem it appropriate to grant regular bail to the petitioner. The petition is allowed and it is directed that the petitioner be released on bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

(SUDHIR MITTAL)  
JUDGE

28.02.2023  
Ramandeep Singh

Whether speaking / reasoned

Yes

Whether Reportable

No