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2023:PHHC:059173

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

CRM-M-9675 of 2023

Date of Decision: April 26, 2023

**Avtar Singh @ Nand
Versus
State of Punjab**

**...Petitioner
...Respondent**

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present:- Mr. A.P.S. Rehan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. P.S. Pandher, AAG, Punjab.

DEEPAK GUPTA, J.(Oral)

By way of this petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C., petitioner prays for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.221 dated 10.08.2022 registered under Section 379-B IPC (Sections 411 and 34 IPC added subsequently) at Police Station Sadar, Amritsar, District Amritsar.

Complainant Amrinder Kumar was talking on mobile to his family members when two youths came on a bike, snatched his mobile and fled away. Occurrence was recorded in a CCTV footage.

It is contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that though the alleged occurrence took place on 06.08.2022 but FIR has been lodged on 10.08.2022 and that no recovery has been effected from the petitioner. Rather, petitioner and the co-accused were standing on the road, when they were arrested by the Police. Learned counsel also submits that the petitioner is not involved in any other case. He has no criminal antecedents.

Status report has not been filed by the respondent- State.

However, learned counsel for the petitioner has drawn attention towards the status report which was filed by the State in connected petition bearing CRM-M-54068 of 2022, regarding co-accused Paramdeep Singh @ Pamma.

Learned State Counsel has placed on record the custody certificate, as per which, petitioner is in custody for the last 08 months and 15 days. Apart from the custody period, as noticed above, trial is likely to take time to conclude.

Having regard to the afore-said facts of the case, but without commenting anything on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed. Petitioner is admitted to bail on his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned trial Court/ Duty Magistrate concerned.

April 26, 2023

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JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No