

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

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CRM-M-23538-2023

Date of Decision :-12.07.2023

Karanbir Singh**...Petitioner**

Versus

State of Punjab**...Respondent****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI**

Present: Mr. Gagandeep Singh Bajwa, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Anmol Singh Sandhu, AAG, Punjab.

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Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for the grant of regular bail to the petitioner in respect of FIR No.345 dated 22.12.2022 registered under Sections 379-B and 354 of the IPC at Police Station Sadar, District Amritsar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegations alleged in the FIR by the complainant are motivated as it is a conceded fact that the parties were in relationship prior to the registration of an FIR and the allegations were made by the complainant only when the parties parted their ways.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that as the

allegations alleged against the petitioner are yet to be proved in the competent Court of law and the petitioner is behind the bars for the last four months, he may kindly be extended concession of regular bail as the trial is likely to take considerable time before it will conclude.

Learned State counsel submits that though it is a conceded position that the parties were in relationship but allegations alleged against the petitioner are serious in nature including the snatching of mobile of the complainant.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have gone through the record with their able assistance.

It is a conceded fact that the parties were known to each other and the complaint was made after the parties parted their ways. The allegations alleged in the FIR are yet to be proved in the Court of law and keeping in view the fact that out of the total 11 cited witnesses, no witness has been examined so far and trial is likely to take some time before it concludes, no useful purpose will be achieved by keeping in the petitioner behind the bars till the trial concludes hence, the petitioner has made out a case for the grant of regular bail especially, when learned counsel for the petitioner has undertaken before this Court that the petitioner will not obstruct the trial or influence the witnesses, whose statements are yet to be recorded in any manner. In case of default of the above undertaking, the State will be at liberty to approach this Court for passing appropriate orders.

Without commenting upon the merits of the case, it is directed that the petitioner be released on regular bail, subject to the satisfaction of trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

However, it is made clear that anything observed herein shall

not be construed to be an expression of any opinion on the merits of the case.

July 12, 2023
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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