

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

CRM-M No.28492 of 2023
Date of decision: 2nd June, 2023

Jagpal

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Ashok K. Khunger, Advocate for the petitioner.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking quashing of order dated 13.04.2023 (Annexure P-6) passed by the trial Court vide which he was declared a proclaimed offender in case bearing FIR No.0032 dated 11.03.2022 under Sections 458, 427, 323, 148, 149 IPC registered at Police Station Khuian Sarwar, District Fazilka.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that mother of the petitioner, who was suffering from serious ailments for a long time, expired on 04.04.2023 after being hospitalized, on account of which the petitioner was unable to put in an appearance on 13.04.2023 before the learned trial Court.

3. At the outset, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the next date of hearing fixed before the trial Court is 07.06.2023. He further submits that the petitioner is ready to appear and surrender before the trial Court, and therefore, he be protected till then.

4. I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner and perused the relevant material on record.

5. In view of the limited prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petition is disposed of with direction to the petitioner to appear and surrender before the trial Court on or before 07.06.2023, and move appropriate application for grant of bail. Till then, no coercive steps shall be taken against the petitioner. The trial Court, on such application being moved, shall decide it expeditiously, in accordance with the provisions of law. However, it is made clear that in case the petitioner fails to surrender before the Court below within the above stipulated time period, this order shall be of no avail to him.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

June 2, 2023
rps

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