

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

CRM-M-48121-2023

Date of Decision:-20.10.2023

Simranjit Singh.

.....Petitioner.

Vs.

State of Punjab.

.....Respondent.

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present:- Mr. Jasvir Singh Dhaliwal, Advocate for the Petitioner.

Mr. Harkanwar Jeet Singh, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J.(ORAL)

The Prayer in this petition under Section 439 Cr.PC is for the grant of regular bail in case FIR No.85 dated 04.05.2023 under Sections 379-B IPC registered at Police Station-A Division, District Amritsar, Punjab.

2. The present FIR came to be registered at the instance of Amarnath Kumar who stated that he had come to the City Centre, Amritsar for some work. When he took out his purse from his pocket to bring out some change for purchasing tea, then one young person came behind him and snatched his purse. When he raised an alarm, the other persons at the spot apprehended him. The purse contained Rs.250/- and copy of his driving licence.

3. The Counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. A trivial fight between the

complainant and the petitioner has been changed to a case of snatching. As the petitioner was in custody since 04.05.2023, only 01 out of 10 prosecution witnesses had been examined so far and he was a first time offender, he was entitled to the concession of bail.

4. The Counsel for the State on the other hand contends that the allegations against the petitioner stand established beyond any doubt. He was apprehended at the spot and the purse was recovered. Therefore, the petitioner was not entitled to the concession of bail. He however, concedes that the petitioner is a first time offender, in custody since 4.5.2023 and only 01 of the 10 prosecution witnesses has been examined so far.

5. I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

6. The veracity of the prosecution case against the petitioner shall be adjudicated upon during the course of the Trial. Admittedly, the petitioner is a first time offender, in custody since 04.05.2023 and only 01 out of 1.0 prosecution witnesses had been examined so far. Therefore, the Trial of the present case is not likely to be concluded anytime soon. In this situation, the further incarceration of the petitioner is not required.

7. Thus without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner-**Simranjit Singh** son of Sh. Avtar Singh is ordered to be released on bail subject to her furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned CJM/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

8. The petitioner shall appear before the police station concerned on the first Monday of every month till the conclusion of the trial and inform in writing each time that he is not involved in any other crime other than the present one.

9. In addition, the petitioner (or anyone on his behalf) shall

prepare an FDR in the sum of Rs.25,000/- and deposit the same with the Trial Court. The same would be liable to be forfeited as per law in case of the absence of the petitioner from the trial without sufficient cause.

10. The petition stands disposed of.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

October 20, 2023

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<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>