

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-59527-2022 (O&M)
Date of decision: 01.02.2023

ASHISH GAUTAM @ ANKIT GAUTAM

....Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : Mr. Chirag Kundu, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Aditi Girdhar, AAG Haryana.

Mr. Sandeep Bhardwaj, Advocate for
Mr. Sanjeev Panwar, Advocate
for the complainant.

AMAN CHAUDHARY. J.

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.1043 dated 06.11.2022, under Sections 323, 34, 379-B of the IPC (Sections 506, 147, 148, 149 IPC added later on) registered at Police Station Camp Palwal, District Palwal.

Learned counsel contends that the petitioner is in custody since 12.11.2022. The complainant and petitioner are neighbours and previously there was a dispute with regard to a plot. The complainant had come to see the plot along with his son and driver, where allegedly an altercation took place, whereupon the petitioner had also submitted a complaint, however, no FIR was lodged, which has been appended with the petition as Annexure P-1. He submits that the petitioner is not involved in any other case. Challan has been presented,

however, charges are yet to be framed and in all there are 15 prosecution witnesses and the trial will take sufficiently long time to conclude.

Learned State counsel opposes the bail on the ground that petitioner has caused injuries to the complainant with a stick. However, she is unable to controvert the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner.

Heard.

In view of the facts and circumstances of the case, in particular that the petitioner is in custody since 12.11.2022; he is not involved in any other case; though challan has been presented, however, charges are yet to be framed; in all there are 15 prosecution witnesses; the trial is likely to take a considerable time, his further detention behind bars would not serve any useful purpose, thus the present petition for grant of regular bail deserves to be allowed.

As a result, the present petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail, subject to his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned and subject to him not being required in any other case. The petitioner shall abide by the following conditions:-

1. The petitioner will not tamper with the evidence during the trial.
2. The petitioner will not pressurize/ intimidate the prosecution witnesses.
3. The petitioner will appear before the trial Court on each and every date fixed, unless is exempted by a specific order of Court.
4. The petitioner shall not commit an offence similar to the offence of which, he is an accused, or for commission of which he is suspected of.
5. The petitioner shall not directly or indirectly coerce, induce, threaten or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him/ her from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer or tamper with the evidence in any manner.
6. The petitioner shall not in any manner misuse his liberty.
7. The petitioner shall furnish his address and mobile number to the

Trial Court forthwith and shall not change the same till the conclusion of the trial and in case for any reason, the petitioner seeks to change any of the aforesaid, the same shall be done only with prior intimation to the learned Trial Court, stating the reason for the same.

8. The petitioner shall deposit his passport, if any, with the Trial Court forthwith and in case, he does not have the passport, he shall furnish a specific affidavit in this regard.

It is made abundantly clear that in case there is any breach of the aforesaid conditions, the State shall be at liberty to seek cancellation of bail as granted to the petitioner by this order.

In view of the above, this Court makes it clarified that the observations made herein above are limited for the purpose of present proceedings and would not be construed as any opinion on the merits of the case and the trial would proceed independently of the aforesaid observations.

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

February 01, 2023
M.Kamra/S.Sharma(syr)

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