

203 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
 AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-59643-2023
Date of decision: 02.12.2023

JOBANJIT SINGH @ JOBAN

...PETITIONER

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present: Ms. Dhamanpreet Kaur, Advocate for
 Mr. B.S. Bhalla, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Parneet Singh Pandher, AAG, Punjab.

DEEPAK GUPTA J. (ORAL)

Petitioner is praying for regular bail in case FIR No.102, dated 10.08.2021, registered at Police Station Khilchian, District Amritsar Rural, under Sections 379-B and 34 of IPC.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that petitioner was earlier allowed regular bail vide order dated 15.02.2022 (Annexure P-1). He could not appear on 20.12.2022 during trial, because he was confined in another case. However, his bail was cancelled. Learned counsel contends that now petitioner is in custody since 29.08.2023 and that trial may take time to conclude.

3. Learned State counsel has placed on record custody certificate, which reveals that petitioner has already undergone actual custody period of 09 months and 16 days.

4. Though, petitioner is involved in 04 other cases as per custody certificate, but it is informed by learned State counsel that out of 12 witnesses cited by prosecution, not even a single witness has been examined so far and

thus, trial is likely to take time to conclude. It is also not disputed that petitioner was earlier on bail in this case.

5. Having regard to the aforesaid factual position, but without commenting anything upon the merits of the case, this petition is allowed. Petitioner is admitted to regular bail and ordered to be released on his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned Trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

December 02, 2023
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(DEEPAK GUPTA)
JUDGE

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| (i) | Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| (ii) | Whether reportable | Yes/No |