



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M No.333 of 2024 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 08.07.2024

Jugraj Singh alias Raju ... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab ... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present: Mr. Ritesh Pandey, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Amandeep Singh Samra, AAG, Punjab,
for the respondent-State.

MANISHA BATRA, J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 439 of Cr.P.C. seeking regular bail in FIR mentioned below:-

FIR No.	Dated	Police Station	Sections
65	07.05.2022	Majitha, District Amritsar Rural	379-B, 411, 34 and 201 of IPC

2. Brief facts of the case relevant for the purpose of disposal of the present petition are that the aforementioned FIR was registered on the basis of statement recorded by the complainant Gurmej Singh alleging therein that on the same day at about 12:30 PM, he was going back from Village Jayantipur towards his own village in his motorcycle bearing registration No.PB-81-2515 and when he crossed Village Mardi Kalan,

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he was intercepted by three youths who came on a motorbike bearing registration No.PB05-AD-9016. They stopped him and after snatching his wallet containing cash amount of Rs.7000/-, Aadhar Card, PAN Card, Voter Card and other important documents, they fled away. He identified them as the petitioner and co-accused Lovepreet Singh @ Love and Amarjit Singh @ Bhilla. After registration of FIR, investigation was initiated. The co-accused Amarjit Singh @ Bhilla and Lovepreet Singh @ Love were arrested on 07.05.2022 itself. They suffered disclosure statements admitting their involvement in the subject crime disclosing that they along with the co-accused and petitioner had stolen the motorbike No.PB05-AD-9016 from Majitha Road and then had snatched wallet from the complainant. The present petitioner was arrested on 07.06.2023. Investigation has since been completed and challan has been presented in the Court against the accused and they are facing trial for commission of aforementioned offences. The petitioner had moved an application for grant of regular bail before the trial Court which had been dismissed vide order dated 07.12.2023.

3. It is argued by learned counsel for the petitioner that he has been falsely implicated in this case. Investigation has since been completed. The trial is likely to take time. His further incarceration would not serve any useful purpose. He does not have criminal antecedents. He has permanent abode. Therefore, it is argued that he may be extended benefit of regular bail.

4. Status report has been filed by the respondent-State. Learned State counsel has argued that the petitioner was named in the FIR itself by

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the complainant. The allegations against him are serious in nature. There are chances of his absconding or intimidating witnesses if extended benefit of bail and, therefore, it is argued that he does not deserve to be given concession of bail.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel at considerable length and have gone through the record.

6. The petitioner along with the co-accused is alleged to have snatched wallet from the complainant on 07.05.2022 which was containing cash amount of Rs.7000/- and documents belonging to the petitioner and is alleged to have fled away. He is now in custody for a period of over one year. The trial is likely to take time. His further detention would not serve any useful purpose. There is no basis for the contention that he may be abscond or intimidate the witnesses. Keeping in view the period of incarceration of the petitioner and the other facts and circumstances of the case but without meaning to make any comment on the merits of the case, I allow this petition and the petitioner is ordered to be admitted to bail subject to the condition that he will not try to contact the complainant or any other material witness of the case and shall also not extend any threat to him/them during the trial of the case, that he shall give copy of his Aadhar Card, PAN Card, if any and before the trial Court at the time of submission of surety bonds and shall also disclose his present as well as permanent address to the trial Court and shall also undertake that if any change in his address or his mobile phone number occurs then that would be intimated to the learned trial Court at the very first instance. The trial Court shall submit him to bail

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on his furnishing personal as well as surety bonds to its satisfaction.

7. Miscellaneous application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

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(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE

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