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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-3027-2024
Date of decision:-25.09.2024

JAGJIT SINGH @ BOBBY

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY.

Present:- Mr. Rahul Garg, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ankit Grewal, DAG, Punjab.

SANJIV BERRY, J.(ORAL)

Learned State counsel has filed status report by way of an affidavit dated 19.03.2024, the same is taken on record, copy thereof, has been supplied to the counsel opposite.

2. The instant petition has been preferred by the petitioner under Section 439 of the Criminal Procedure Code for grant of regular bail in the following case (Annexure P-1):-

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
0220	05.10.2023	379-B, 34 IPC	City Rupnagar, District Rupnagar

3. Arguments heard.

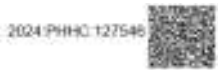


4. It is *inter alia* contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case and is in custody since 09.10.2023 and possible recovery has already been effected. He further submits that after completion of investigation, challan has already been presented in Court which is pending for trial, as such he prays for grant of bail to the petitioner.

5. Per contra, learned State counsel, referring to the reply submitted by the State has opposed the bail petition by arguing that the petitioner has actively participated in the crime in snatching two gold chains and two mobile phones from different persons, as such, petitioner do not deserve concession of bail.

6. After considering the respective submissions and perusing the record, it transpires that the the instant FIR (Annexure P-1) was registered on the complaint that two bikers had snatched gold chain of complainant Mithun Jain. Subsequently the petitioner was arrested on 09.10.2023 in this case and recovery was effected from him. Admittedly the challan has already been presented in Court and the conclusion of trial will take sufficient long time to ascertain criminal liability, if any, of the petitioner and no purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner any longer in custody.

7. Resultantly, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail subject to furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned Trial Court concerned, if not required in any other case; undertaking to regularly appear on each and every date; not to leave the country without



prior permission of the Court; and not to tamper with evidence of prosecution in any manner.

8. Any observation made above shall not be construed as opinion of this Court on the merits of the case.

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

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i)	Whether speaking/reasoned?	Yes/No
ii)	Whether reportable?	Yes/No