

230 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT  
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-3791-2024

Decided on:-31.01.2024

Vikram Singh @ Laddi

....Petitioner..

vs.

State of Punjab

....Respondent.

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA**

Present: Mr. Munish Puri, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Shubham Kaushik, AAG, Punjab.

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**HARKESH MANUJA J. (Oral)**

1. By way of present second petition filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, prayer has been made for grant of regular bail pending trial, in case bearing FIR No.130, dated 08.10.2021 registered under Sections 324, 323, 148, 149 IPC and later on added Section 326 IPC, at Police Station Sadar, District Pathankot.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been implicated with the allegations of having inflicted a *datar* blow on the right eyebrow of the injured-complainant namely, Sonu @ Emanuel.

3. The prayer made on behalf of the petitioner has been opposed by learned State counsel while referring to the antecedents of the petitioner, he being involved in two other cases.

4. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and gone through the paper book and find substance in the submissions made on behalf of the petitioner.

5. In the present case, petitioner has already suffered incarceration for a period of more than 09 months & 10 days whereas, the investigation stands concluded with filing of challan followed by framing of charges on 07.02.2023, however, only 01 prosecution witness has been examined so far out of 25 witnesses cited by the prosecution and trial is likely to take some time. In addition, as per the medical records, the injury attributed to the petitioner which is on the right eyebrow of the injured-complainant has been declared simple in nature. Moreover, in other two cases, the petitioner has already been released on bail. Thus, considering the aforesaid facts, I do not find any justification to extend the incarceration of the petitioner.

6. Without commenting anything on the merits of the case, lest it may prejudice the trial, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing adequate bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the concerned Trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

7. It is made clear that this order may not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

31.01.2024  
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(HARKESH MANUJA)  
JUDGE

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