

**239 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

**Neutral Citation No. 2024:PHHC:017020
CRM-M-5547-2024
Date of Decision: February 07, 2024**

Darra **...Petitioner**

Versus

State of Haryana **...Respondent**

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present:- Mr. Balwinder Singh Chahal, Advocate for the petitioner.

DEEPAK GUPTA, J.(Oral)

By way of present petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C., petitioner prays for grant of regular bail in a case arising out of FIR No.406 dated 12.10.2023, under Sections 3, 4, 5 and 7 of Immoral Trafficking Act, 1956, besides Section 370 of IPC, registered at Police Station City Thanesar, Kurukshetra, District Kurukshetra.

2. At the outset, learned counsel for the petitioner submits similarly placed co-accused Manjeet Singh has already been allowed bail by this Court vide order dated 13.12.2023 passed in CRM-M-61840-2023 (Annexure P-3).

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. Sumit Jain, Addl. A.G., Haryana accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State.

5. Learned State counsel could not refute the contention that case of the petitioner is at the same footing as that of co-accused Manjeet Singh, who was allowed bail by the Court vide order dated 13.12.2023, except to the extent that petitioner was the Manager in the hotel.

6. As per custody certificate placed on record, petitioner is in custody for the last 03 months and 24 days, with no other criminal case

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pending against him. The case is triable by the Magistrate. After completion of investigation, challan has already been filed and the trial is going on, which may take long time to conclude.

7. Having regard to the aforesaid facts and circumstances, but without commenting anything on the merits of the case, petitioner is admitted to bail. He is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned Trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned, on usual terms and conditions.

Allowed.

February 07, 2024

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(DEEPAK GUPTA)
JUDGE

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