

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

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CRM-M-21676-2024

Date of Decision : **July 31, 2024**

GURPAL SINGH ALIAS GURLAL SINGH

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

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CRM-M-31394-2024

SUKHPREET SINGH

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present : Mr. N.S.Sidhu, Advocate
for the petitioner in CRM-M-21676-2024.

Mr. G.S.Ghuman, Advocate
for the petitioner in CRM-M-31394-2024.

Mr. ADS Sukhija, Addl. AG, Punjab.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J. (Oral)

1. The amenability of both these petitions for being decided through a common verdict originates from common reliefs being craved to be reaped therein, vis-a-vis, grant of regular bail to the petitioners, in case FIR No.39 dated 24.2.2023, under Sections 307/353/186/332/333/506(ii), 120-B/427/148/149 of the IPC, registered at Police Station Ajnala, District Amritsar (Rural), Punjab.

2. Although the learned counsels for the petitioners addressed arguments at length, however, considering the fact that this Court has already declined to grant bail to similarly situated co-accused, by passing detailed order(s), therefore, they submit that they do not want to press the instant petitions at this stage.

3. Consequently, the instant petitions are ordered to be **dismissed**, as not pressed at this stage.

4. At this stage, the learned State counsel submits that, since the allegations in the present FIR are very serious in nature and as many as 52 persons have been arrayed as accused and subjected to face trial in the present FIR, therefore, the prosecution has every intention to get the trial concluded in a time bound manner. Moreover, on instructions imparted to him by the official concerned, he informs this Court that investigation is already complete in the present FIR and now the case is fixed for 6.8.2024 for framing of charges. Lastly, he submits that he has instructions from the quarter concerned to make a statement that the prosecution would complete the examination of all its witnesses within 8 months from today.

5. Before this Court proceeds to, on information purveyed to and by the learned State counsel, bound down the learned trial Court concerned to conclude the examination of the prosecution witnesses within 8 months from today, it is deemed appropriate to initially call for a status report from the learned trial Court concerned disclosing therein “*whether the*

examination of the prosecution witnesses can be concluded within 8 months or not?”.

6. Furthermore, the S.S.P. concerned is also directed to file his personal affidavit, detailing therein the mechanism proposed to be adopted by him/her to ensure the presence of all the prosecution witnesses before the learned trial Court concerned, as and when called for examination.

7. List on 05.09.2024, to await the status report and the affidavit (supra).

8. A copy of this order be forthwith sent to the learned trial Court concerned and to the S.S.P. concerned for information and compliance.

9. A photocopy of this order be placed on the file of connected case.

July 31, 2024
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(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned. : Yes/No
Whether Reportable. : Yes/No