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

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Date of Decision : May 20, 2024

KARANJIT SINGH

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present : Mr. G.S.Gurna, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Akshay Kumar, AAG, Punjab.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J. (Oral)

1. Through the instant petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. the petitioner prays for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.20 dated 3.3.2024, under Sections 379-B, 34 IPC, registered at Police Station C Division, District Amritsar City.

2. As per the allegation, the petitioner was driving the Activa, whereas, his co-accused Manpreet Singh @ Manna, who was a pillion rider, snatched the mobile from the complainant.

3. In his asking for the relief (supra), the learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has suffered incarceration of approximately 2½ months and he is not involved in any other criminal case. He further submits that the allegation of snatching of mobile phone is attributed to the co-accused Manpreet Singh @ Manna and not to the



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petitioner.

3. Per contra, the learned State counsel, on instructions imparted to him by the official concerned, submits that after completion of the investigation, the final report was filed on 25.4.2024 before the learned trial Court concerned and the charges are yet to be framed. He further submits that the prosecution has cited 10 witnesses in the final report.

4. Considering the fact that the only allegation against the petitioner is that he was driving the scooter, which was used for commission of snatching and the petitioner has suffered incarceration of about 2 months and 13 days and he is involved in any other case and the trial is not likely to conclude soon, as no prosecution witness has been examined so far, therefore, this Court deems it fit and appropriate to extend the benefit of regular bail to the petitioner. Therefore, the present petition is **allowed**.

5. The petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on furnishing of bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of concerned Chief Judicial Magistrate/trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

6. However, anything observed here-in-above shall have no effect on the merits of the case and is meant for deciding the present petition only.

(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

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