

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-30886 of 2023(O&M)
Date of Decision: 19.01.2024

Jagtar Singh
...Petitioner
Versus
State of Punjab
...Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH

Present:- Mr. Dhiraj Chawla, Advocate
For the petitioner.

Mr. J.S. Bhandari, AAG Punjab.

Mr. Abhishek Bansal, Advocate
For the complainant.

KARAMJIT SINGH, J.

1. The present petition has been filed by the petitioner seeking grant of regular bail in criminal case having FIR No. 77 dated 30.04.2023, registered under Sections 364, 379-B, 323, 341, 506, 148 and 149 IPC at Police Station Lehra, District Sangrur.
2. As per the allegations appearing in the FIR, the petitioner and his accomplices intercepted complainant Gurdeep Singh and his friend Khushpreet Singh and snatched their mobile phones and then kidnapped Gurdeep Singh and took him to motor of Kuldeep Singh and gave him beatings. During investigation the petitioner was arrested by the police.
3. The counsel for the petitioner submits that the alleged recoveries are already effected in this case and simple injuries are attributed to the petitioner who is in custody for the last about 08 months and after completion of investigation police has presented the challan and after framing of charges the trial is at its initial stage and the matter stands

compromised between the parties. So, prayer is made that the petitioner be released on bail.

4. The present petition is resisted by the State counsel, who submits that at this stage when the trial is at its initial stage, no ground is made to enlarge the petitioner on bail. However, the State counsel has not disputed the fact that the injuries attributed to the petitioner were simple in nature and that the recoveries are already effected in this case.

5. The counsel who has put in appearance on behalf of the complainant submits that the matter stands compromised between the parties and he is having no objection if the petitioner is granted bail.

6. I have considered the submissions made by counsel for the parties.

7. Admittedly, the trial is at its initial stage and during investigation certain recoveries were effected and now it appears that matter has been compromised between the parties. It will take considerable time for the trial to conclude.

8. In light of the above, this Court is of the view that no purpose is going to be served by detaining the petitioner in custody for any longer period. So, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing of bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

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**(KARAMJIT SINGH)
JUDGE**

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