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2024:PHHC:000478

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-64336-2023

Date of Decision: January 05, 2024

SUKHPREET SINGH ALIAS VICKY

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

Present: Mr. V.K. Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Jaiteshwar Singh Bhandari, AAG, Punjab.

HARKESH MANUJA, J. (ORAL)

1. By way of present petition filed under Section 439 of CrPC, prayer has been made for grant of regular bail in case FIR No. 15 dated 09.02.2023 registered under Sections 307, 323, 324, 148 and 149 IPC registered at P.S. City Nakodar, Jalandhar, District Jalandhar, Section 34 IPC added later on wherein, the petitioner has been implicated for having given life threatening injuries upon the person of complainant-injured namely Gurmeet Singh.
2. The prayer made herein has been opposed at the instance of learned State counsel while referring to the antecedents of the petitioner who is allegedly involved in one another FIR as well.
3. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and gone through the paper book. I find substance in the submissions made on behalf of the petitioner.

4. In the present case, as per the information provided by the learned State counsel, the injured-complainant was discharged from the hospital after 5 days of occurrence. The petitioner is already behind the bars for a period of almost 10 months and 24 days, the investigation already stands concluded with the filing of challan followed by framing of charges on 14.08.2023 and out of total 17 witnesses cited by the prosecution, none has been examined so far. Considering the aforesaid circumstances, this Court does not find justification to extend his incarceration any further.

5. In view of the above, without commenting anything on the merits, lest it may prejudice the case of either side, 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 learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

05.01.2024
Tejwinder

(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>