

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

Criminal Misc. M- No. 38082 of 2014 (O&M)

Date of decision : 26.02.2015

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Balwinder Singh and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

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

Mr. Varun Sharma, AAG, Punjab

LISA GILL, J.

The petitioners prays for anticipatory bail in FIR No. 93 dated 15.09.2014 registered under Section 382/120-B IPC at Police Station Sadar Bathinda District Bathinda.

It is submitted that the petitioners are similarly situated to the co-accused Baljit Singh, who has been extended the benefit of anticipatory bail by this Court on 04.11.2014 in CRM No. 36348 of 2014 (Annexure P-3). Pursuant to order dated 12.11.2014, petitioners have joined investigation. No recoveries are to be effected from them. Petitioners further undertake to join investigation as and when required.

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Gurmej Singh confirms and verifies that they indeed have joined investigation on 06.12.2014 and are not required for custodial interrogation.

Learned counsel for the State is unable to deny that the present petitioners are similarly situated as the co-accused Baljit Singh.

There are no allegations on behalf of the State that petitioners are likely to abscond or that they are likely to dissuade the witnesses from deposing true facts in the Court, if released on bail.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances but without expressing any opinion on the merits of the controversy, it is considered just and expedient to allow this petition. Order dated 12.11.2014 is made absolute.

February 26, 2015
rts

(LISA GILL)
JUDGE