

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

CRM No. M-18628 of 2016

Date of decision:- August 05, 2016

Satnam Singh

.....Petitioner..

Vs.

State of Punjab

....Respondent..

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

Present:- Mr. Rajesh Bhatheja, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. RPS Sidhu, AAG, Punjab.

JASPAL SINGH, J. (Oral)

Instant petition has been preferred under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure by Satnam Singh, seeking pre-arrest bail, feeling apprehension of his arrest, in case FIR No.56, dated 29.04.2016, under Sections 419, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, 120-B IPC and under Section 12 of the Passport Act, 1967, Police Station Baghapurana, District Moga.

2. While issuing notice of motion vide order dated 26.05.2016, following order was passed by this Court:-

“Petitioner apprehends arrest in a case registered on the allegations that one Abhi and Gagandeep had applied for passport at a wrong address. The petitioner a member of Panchayat had verified the address. Gurpreet Singh member Panchayat had verified the same. So far as petitioner is concerned, he also identified Abhi and Gagandeep.

Notice to the Advocate General, Punjab, for 5.8.2016.

Meanwhile, an interim direction is issued that the petitioner will join investigation on 18.6.2016 or on any other day as required by the Investigating Officer. In case of petitioner doing so, he shall be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of the arresting officer.”

3. On instructions from ASI Manjeet Singh, learned State counsel has submitted that the petitioner has joined the investigation on 30.07.2016.

4. Since, the petitioner has already joined the investigation, this Court is of the considered view that his further custodial interrogation is not required.

5. Taking into consideration the aforesaid facts of the case, interim order dated 26.05.2016, is made absolute, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

August 05, 2016
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(JASPAL SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: **Yes/No**

Whether reportable: **Yes/No**