

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

**CRM-M No.42727 of 2015 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 23.02.2016**

Rakesh

..... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. Deepak Kundu, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Gaurav Dhir, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana
for the respondent/State assisted by ASI Om Parkash.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 438, Cr.P.C., is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, Rakesh, who has been booked for having committed the offences punishable under Sections 323, 325, 148, 149, IPC and Section 307, IPC (added later on), in a case arising out of FIR No.176, dated 07.08.2015, registered at Police Station, Isarana, District Panipat.

Learned Counsel for the petitioner contends that initially the FIR was registered for the offences punishable under Sections 148, 323 and 325 read with Section 149, IPC; the petitioner and his co-accused were arrested and granted bail; after 3 ½ months of registration of the FIR, Section 307, IPC was added and now the police is mounting pressure to arrest the petitioner.

Learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner had joined the investigation at the time of his arrest prior to adding of the offence under Section 307, IPC and, therefore, no purpose would be now served for re-arresting him.

Learned State Counsel, assisted by ASI Om Parkash, concedes that

the petitioner has joined the investigation and after completion of the investigation, challan has been prepared and is ready to be submitted.

In the light of the aforesaid circumstances, interim protection/pre-arrest bail granted by this Court, vide order dated 18.12.2015, is made absolute/confirmed.

Disposed of.

February 23, 2016

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**(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE**