

CRM NO. M-24322 of 2017 (O&M)

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM NO. M-24322 of 2017 (O&M)
DECIDED ON : 25.09.2017

Bittu Ram alias Bittu

...Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present : Mr. P.S. Bal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Seena Mand, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 88 dated 20.06.2017 under Sections 379, 380, 457, 342, 412 IPC, registered at Police Station Sirhind, District Fatehgarh Sahib.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations in the FIR, which has been registered on the basis of secret information, are that several persons named therein have been stealing articles including cement, sariya etc. from under construction premises and selling them to the petitioner and his brother. Learned counsel further contends that the petitioner is polio afflicted and physically handicapped. He is lawfully running his scrap shop and he has been arraigned as an accused although no complainant has come forward to support the allegations levelled on the basis of secret information.

This Court vide order dated 12.07.2017, had directed

the petitioner to join investigation and on his doing so, he was to be released on ad-interim bail to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Nirmal Singh states that in pursuance to the order dated 12.07.2017 the petitioner has joined investigation and is not required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the above and without expressing any opinion on the merits of case, the order dated 12.07.2017, granting ad-interim bail to the petitioner, is hereby made absolute. However, the petitioner shall abide by the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

The petition stands disposed of accordingly.

September 25, 2017
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(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned?</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Whether reportable?</i>	<i>No</i>