

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No. 26461 of 2017
Decided on : 31.08.2017

Amandeep Singh

...Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

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

Ms. Monika Jalota, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

Mr. Vivek Chauhan, Advocate for the complainant.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 161, dated 03.10.2016, under Sections 419, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 IPC, registered at Police Station Sadar Ludhiana, District Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations against the petitioner are that he was an attesting witness to an agreement to sell dated 08.10.2004, vide which the father of the complainant, namely, Gurdeep Singh, intended to sell plot to Narender Singh. Learned counsel further contends that Narender Singh has also obtained a decree from a Civil Court with regard to the agreement to sell dated 08.10.2004. The Executing Court has executed the afore-noted sale deed in favour of Narender Singh. Learned counsel also contends that the FIR has been lodged after 12 years of the agreement to sell and the main accused, Narender Singh, who is the beneficiary of the

agreement to sell, has been granted anticipatory bail by a Coordinate Bench of this Court in CRM-M No. 40169 of 2016, on 16.01.2017.

This Court vide order dated 26.07.2017, had directed the petitioner to join investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was ordered 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 Devender Singh states that in pursuance to the order dated 26.07.2017 the petitioner has joined investigation and is not required for custodial interrogation.

The petitioner is not named in the FIR and has been arrayed as an accused only on the disclosure statement of co-accused, Bhupinder. The petitioner has appeared before the Investigating Officer in pursuance to the order of this Court 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 26.07.2017, 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.

August 31, 2017
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(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

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

