

**CRM-M-23759-2018,
CRM-M-24400-2018 and
CRM-M-31238-2018**

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

Date of Decision: 17.10.2018

1. CRM-M-23759-2018

Pritpal Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

2. CRM-M-24400-2018

Jaswinder Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

3. CRM-M-31238-2018

Jasjit Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Akashdeep Singh, Advocate,
for the petitioners in CRM-M-23759-2018 and
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Mr. S.S.Behl, Advocate,
for the petitioner in CRM-M-31238-2018.

Mr. Gaurav Garg Dhuriwala, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

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INDERJIT SINGH, J.

It has been brought to the notice of this Court that Sections 109, 120-B, 420, 467, 468 and 471 of IPC have been added later on.

Learned counsel for the petitioners orally request that the above sections be added in the head-note and prayer clause of these petitions.

Request allowed.

Registry is directed to make necessary additions of the above sections in the head-note and prayer clause of these petitions.

This order shall dispose of CRM-M-23759-2018, filed by petitioner-Pritpal Singh, CRM-M-24400-2018, filed by petitioner-Jaswinder Singh and CRM-M-31238-2018, filed by petitioner-Jasjit Singh, under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (for brevity, 'Cr.P.C.') for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.20 dated 21.12.2017, registered at Police Station Vigilance Bureau, Patiala, under Sections 13 (1) (e) read with Section 13 (2) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and Sections 109, 120-B, 420, 467, 468 and 471 of IPC.

Notice of motion was issued in all these petitions. Learned State counsel put in appearance on behalf of the respondent-State and contested these petitions.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioners as well as learned State counsel and gone through the record.

From the record, I find that FIR, in the present case, has been registered mainly against Surjit Singh Grewal, Senior Superintendent of

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Police (Retd.), for doing corruption and misusing of his official position during his service for amazing properties movable/immovable in his name, in the name of his family members and relatives etc. Petitioner-Jasjit Singh is the son of Surjit Singh Grewal, main accused. As per the allegations in the FIR, land measuring 78 kanals was purchased in the name of the present petitioner by the main accused during the years 2005 to 2017.

So far as petitioner-Jaswinder Singh is concerned, he is stated to be brother-in-law of son of the main accused. The allegation against the petitioner is that he had purchased one banquet hall. The main accused had one Fortuner car also alleged to be purchased in his name.

So far as petitioner-Preetpal Singh is concerned, the allegation against him is that main accused had purchased a car in his name and from the house of main accused, Surjit Singh Grewal, a receipt has been recovered regarding an amount of ₹1.5 lakhs.

In pursuance of the order dated 26.07.2018 passed in CRM-M-31238-2018 by this Court, the petitioner has already joined the investigation.

In pursuance of the interim orders dated 10.07.2018 passed in CRM-M-24400-2018 and CRM-M-23759-2018, the petitioners have appeared before the trial Court.

Challans have already been presented and charges have already been framed. The petitioners are not required for custodial interrogation. They are only to face the trial. Therefore, no useful purpose will be served

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by sending them to custody.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case; without discussing the facts of the case in minute details and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, I find merit in all these petitions and the same are allowed. The order dated 26.07.2018 passed in CRM-M-31238-2018 and orders dated 10.07.2018 passed in CRM-M-23759-2018 and CRM-M-24400-2018, granting interim bail to the petitioners, are made absolute. However, the petitioners shall join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and shall abide by the conditions of Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

17.10.2018
parveen kumar

(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

Note:	Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes
	Whether reportable	:	No