

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

**CRM-M-35509-2018  
Date of decision:29.10.2018**

Amit Bathla

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

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**CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL**

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Present: Mr. B.T.S. Jattana, Advocate for  
Mr. Tajinder Pal Singh Makkar, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, AAG, Punjab  
assisted by HC Gurdas Ram.

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**GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)**

The petitioner seeks grant of anticipatory bail in respect of  
FIR No.172 dated 18.11.2017 under Section 174-A of Indian Penal Code,  
1860 registered at Police Station Kabarwala, District Sri Muktsar Sahib.

Learned counsel has submitted that in fact the report  
regarding the service was manoeuvred, wherein it had been incorrectly  
reported that the petitioner had been served through his wife whereas  
infact the petitioner is unmarried. Learned counsel has submitted that the  
petitioner has specifically submitted in para No.6 of the petition regarding  
his marital status being unmarried.

Pursuant to interim directions issued by this Court vide order  
dated 18.08.2018, the petitioner has already joined investigation as  
informed by learned State counsel on instructions from HC Gurdas Ram.

Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case and in view of the categoric submissions made by the petitioner regarding he being unmarried, as against report of serving official to the effect that petitioner was served through his wife, in my opinion, it is a fit case for grant of anticipatory bail. Accordingly the petition is accepted and the interim directions issued vide dated 18.08.2018 by this Court are hereby made absolute subject to the condition that the petitioner would appear before Investigating Officer as and when called upon to do so and cooperate with the Investigating Officer and shall also abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

The petition is accepted in the above mentioned terms.

**29.10.2018**  
Gaurav Sorot

**( GURVINDER SINGH GILL )**  
**JUDGE**

Whether reasoned / speaking?      **Yes / No**

Whether reportable?      **Yes / No**