

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-45289-2018 (O&M)
Date of decision :19th December, 2018

SANTOKH SINGH

.....Petitioner

Versus

THE STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI

Present: Mr. Amit Dhawan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. V.G. Jauhar, Senior DAG, Punjab.

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RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI, J (ORAL)

The petitioner has preferred the instant petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C., for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.36 dated 04.04.2002, registered under Sections 302,307, 120-B, 34 IPC at Police Station Division No.5, District Jalandhar.

Briefly stated the petitioner along with seven persons were named in the FIR No. 36 dated 04.04.2002, registered under Sections 302,307, 120-B, 34 IPC at Police Station Division No.5, District Jalandhar. Therafter, he was arrested and while approaching this Hon'ble Court by filing CRM-1293-M of 2003, this Court vide order dated 22.04.2003 allowed concession of regular bail and was released on bail in the instant FIR.

Instead of continuing to appear before the trial Court he

jumped the bail and escaped to England and therefore, he was declared as proclaimed offender. The trial against other seven persons was initiated and all were acquitted.

Now the petitioner is seeking bail after more than 12 years of his absconding solely on the ground that the remaining seven persons have been acquitted as there is no cogent evidence available against them. It is submitted that same evidence has to be read against him and even no case is made out. But to the mind of Court, the conduct of the petitioner does not entitle him for concession of anticipatory bail.

Dismissed.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner wants to surrender before trial Court and also want to file the application for regular bail. In case if he so surrenders before the trial Court and files an application for bail the same shall be considered and decided within a period of three days.

(RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI)
JUDGE

19.12.2018

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No