

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

**Criminal Misc. No. M-46734-2017  
Date of Decision: 21.02.2018**

**Sukhdev Singh**

**.. Petitioner**

**Vs.**

**State of Punjab and another**

**..Respondents**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH**

Present: Mr. Achin Gupta, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Ruchika Sabharwal, AAG, Punjab.

None for respondent No.2.

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**Inderjit Singh, J.**

Petitioner-Sukhdev Singh has filed this petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. read with Section 482 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail in complaint case bearing No.19 dated 05.06.2017, filed under Sections 302/201/382/120-B/148/149 of Indian Penal Code and Sections 25 and 27 of Arms Act, 1959 at Police Station Ghall Khurd.

Notice of motion was issued in this case.

Learned State counsel has appeared on behalf of the respondent-State and contested this petition. None has appeared on behalf of respondent No.2, despite service.

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

Learned counsel for the petitioner has argued that the present petitioner Sukhdev Singh had been granted pre-arrest bail by the Court of Session and he had been appearing in the trial Court regularly. However, on

one date of hearing, he could not put in appearance. An application for exemption from personal appearance was filed, which was declined by the trial Court. The petitioner had already appeared before the trial Court as per the interim order passed by this Court vide order dated 08.12.2017 and had been released on interim bail.

The petitioner has also deposited ₹10,000/- as costs with the District Legal Services Authority, Ferozepur and receipt in this regard has been placed on the record.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case; without discussing the facts of the case in minute details; without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case and the fact that no useful purpose would be served by sending the petitioner to custody, I find merit in this petition and the same is allowed. The order dated 08.12.2017, granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute.

21.02.2018  
*Jasmine Kaur*

**(INDERJIT SINGH)**  
**JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned  
Whether reportable

Yes  
No