

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

**CRM-M No. 3294 of 2019
Date of Decision:-26.02.2019**

Manpreet Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present:- Mr. Naresh Kumar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Bhupender Beniwal, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Lakhwinder Singh Mann, Advocate
for the complainant.

MANOJ BAJAJ J.(Oral)

By filing the present petition under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, the petitioner has sought anticipatory bail in FIR No. 04 dated 11.1.2019, under Section 67(A) of the Information Technology Act, 2000, registered at Police Station Haryana, District Hoshiarpur.

On 24.1.2019, this Court had passed the following order :-

“Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the complainant was already into conversation with the petitioner, who was having Phone No.9464353066 and some of the part of conversation since 12.10.2018 is reproduced at page 5 of the petition. Learned counsel

for the petitioner further contends that allegations are not enough to implicate him as a facebook account which sent objectionable material to the complainant belongs to some other person, namely, Sandeep Saini.

Notice of motion for 26.02.2019.

Meanwhile, the petitioner shall join the investigation and would come present as and when called for and in the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be admitted to interim bail on his furnishing personal and surety bonds to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. The petitioner shall also abide by the conditions as specified under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that in pursuance of the order dated 24.1.2019, the petitioner has joined the investigation.

Learned State counsel on instructions of ASI Kashmiri Lal submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation and he is not required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the above, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the interim bail granted by this Court vide order dated 24.1.2019, is made absolute.

The petition stands allowed.

February 26, 2019
Vijay Asija

(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes / No
Yes / No