

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

CRM-M No.13821 of 2019 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 05.08.2019

Lashkar Ram

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present:- None for the petitioner.

S.I. Kuhwinder Kumar for the respondent/State.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J. (Oral)

Present petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.20 dated 23.02.2019, under Sections 406, 420, 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 and Section 13 of the Punjab Prevention of Human Smuggling Act, 2012, registered at Police Station Mehatpur, District Jalandhar.

This Court, while issuing notice of motion on 27.03.2019, passed the following order:-

“ Contends that the matter has already been compromised between the parties and even co-accused, namely, Avtar Singh has already filed CRMM-10495-2019, which is pending for 13.05.2019 before this Court.

Notice of motion for 13.05.2019.

To be heard along with CRM-M-10495-2019.

In the meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation before the Investigating Officer. In the event of his arrest, the Arresting Officer would admit him to interim bail in the present case till the next date of hearing on his furnishing

adequate bail and surety bonds to his satisfaction. The petitioner is also directed to abide by all the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. ”

Today, S.I. Kuhwinder Kumar, who is present in the Court, submits that matter has been compromised between the parties and even co-accused has already filed CRM-M-10495-2019 for quashing of FIR on the basis of compromise. Further submits that petitioner has joined the investigation in terms of order dated 27.03.2019 and his custodial interrogation is not required.

In view of above, interim order dated 27.03.2019 is made absolute subject to the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. and the present petition stands disposed off.

It is made clear that the petitioner shall fully co-operate with the Investigating Officer as and when called for further investigation.

The observations may not be considered as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

August 05, 2019

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**(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)
JUDGE**

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>