

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

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CRM-M-20319-2019

DATE OF DECISION: 21.08.2019

RACHHPAL SINGH

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: None for the petitioner.

Ms. Sudeepti Sharma, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 275 dated 07.10.2015 under Sections 307, 379, 323, 341, 506 and 34 of the Indian Penal Code registered at Police Station Salem Tabri, District Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner along with co-accused Vijay Kumar had tried to strangle the complainant. He states that the 'challan' was not filed against the petitioner earlier and co-accused Vijay Kumar has been acquitted at the conclusion of the trial by the Trial Court on 15.11.2017. He also contends that the petitioner was under the impression that he was not required in the case and has not been declared as 'proclaimed offender'. He also contends that the petitioner is not involved in any other case.

This Court, by the order dated 22.05.2019, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was to be released on ad-interim bail to the

satisfaction of the Investigating/Arresting Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from SI Manjinder Kaur, states that the petitioner has joined investigation and is not required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner and the petitioner having joined investigation, the order dated 22.05.2019 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

However, the petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. He shall also join investigation as and when called upon to do so.

The petition stands disposed of.

21.08.2019

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**(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No