

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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**CRM-M-21335-2019 (O & M)
Date of Decision: October 01, 2019**

SURINDER SINGH

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Vikram Preet Arora, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. K.K. Bhaniwala, Addl. AG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 337 dated 08.10.2017 under Sections 379 and 411 of the Indian Penal Code registered at Police Station Zirakpur, District S.A.S. Nagar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations against the petitioner are that he had purchased 'khair' trees, which were cut from the forest land without permission. These trees were 25 in number. The petitioner is not involved in any other case of similar nature. He also undertakes that without prejudice to his rights and contentions, he will plant at least 25 trees in consultation with the Forest Department within a period of two months.

This Court, by the order dated 10.05.2019, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was ordered 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, on instructions from ASI Gulshan Kumar, 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 10.05.2019 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.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

October 01, 2019

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Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No