

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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CRM-M-31379-2019 (O & M)
Date of Decision: September 30, 2019

CHANBIR SINGH

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Ankush Chowdhary, Advocate for
Mr. Satyaveer Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. K.K. Bheniwala, Addl. AG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.95 dated 19.05.2014, under Sections 302/148/149 IPC, registered at Police Station Sadar, Amritsar, Punjab.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that in the FIR, which has been registered on the statement of the Gurmukh Singh, who is the father of the deceased, it is stated that the complainant had been informed by his nephew Sukhbir Singh and Jugraj Singh that the deceased was beaten up by the petitioner and two others namely Abhinav Thakur and Sumreet Singh. Sumreet Singh was found innocent by the police while Abhinav Thakur has been acquitted at the conclusion of the trial. Sukhbir Singh and Jugraj Singh, who were examined as PW-2 and PW-3 respectively did not support the prosecution case and resiled from the statement which they are alleged to have given to the police. The petitioner was 18 years of age at the time of the occurrence and he did not receive any summons from the police for joining investigation and thus,

had later gone to United States of America for higher studies. It is only last year that he came to know that he has been named in the FIR.

This Court, by the order dated 20.08.2019, 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 Malkiat Singh, 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 20.08.2019 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

September 30, 2019

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