

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

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CRM-M-32052-2019

DATE OF DECISION: 29.08.2019

Harjit Singh

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. M.S. Atwal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.690 dated 21.06.2019 under Section 135 of the Electricity Act, 2003, registered at Police Station Anti Power Theft, District Jalandhar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner had already moved an application for compounding the offence which had been received vide diary No.3404 dated 18.07.2019. He further contends that the amount of Rs. 1,40,546/- which has been imposed as fine, has already been deposited by the petitioner vide receipts dated 24.06.2019 and 05.07.2019. Copies of the receipts are annexed as Annexure P-2.

This Court, by order dated 29.07.2019, 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 ASI Manjeet Singh, states that the petitioner has joined investigation and he is not required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner and petitioner having joined investigation, the order dated 29.07.2019 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.

29.08.2019

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(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

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