

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

Sr. No.223

CRM-M-35498-2019

DECIDED ON: October 01, 2019

BALWANT SINGH

..PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Jitender Singh Dadwal, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. K.K. Bheniwala, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.0099 dated 23.07.2019, under Sections 379 and 379-B of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station Dayalpura, District Bathinda.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is mentioned in the FIR that the petitioner along with other accused has been indulging in snatching and if a raid is conducted, heavy quantity of articles and motorcycles robbed by them could be recovered. Thereafter, the police is alleged to have conducted the raid and apprehended four co-accused along with a motorcycle without number plate, but there does not seem to be any recovery from any other accused. Learned counsel states that as per his instructions the petitioner is not involved in any other case and there is no

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prima facie evidence to connect the petitioner with the alleged commission of offence.

This Court, by the order dated 29.08.2019, 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 Balwant 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 keeping in view the fact that the petitioner has joined investigation, the order dated 29.08.2019 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.

October 01, 2019
Ankur

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No