

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

**CRM-M No.61717 of 2018 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 30.01.2019**

Bharat Bhushan @ Budh Ram

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present:- Mr. Jagtar Singh Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. C.L.Pawar, Senior Deputy Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent/State.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J. (Oral)

Present petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. has been filed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.299 dated 06.12.2018, under Section 379 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station City Sangrur, District Sangrur.

This Court, while issuing notice of motion on 20.12.2018, passed the following order:-

“ Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that neither the petitioner is named in the FIR; nor there is any criminal case pending against him.

Notice of motion for 30.01.2019.

In the meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation before the Investigating Officer. In the event of his arrest, the Arresting Officer would admit him to interim bail till the next date of hearing on his furnishing adequate bail and surety bonds to his satisfaction. The petitioner is also directed to abide by all the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. ”

Today, learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation in terms of order dated 20.12.2018 and his custodial interrogation is no longer required.

The aforesaid factual position is duly acknowledged by learned State Counsel, on instructions from A.S.I. Sukhvinderjit Singh.

In view of above, interim order dated 20.12.2018 is made absolute subject to the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. and the present petition stands disposed off.

It is made clear that the petitioner shall fully co-operate with the Investigating Officer as and when called for further investigation.

The observations may not be considered as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

January 30, 2019

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**(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)
JUDGE**

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>No</i>