

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-881-2020 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 19.02.2020

Gurmej Singh

.. Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present: Ms. Jaspreet Kaur, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

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Manoj Bajaj, J. (Oral)

Petitioner has filed this petition under Section 438 Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of anticipatory bail in a case FIR No.151 dated 03.09.2019 under Sections 379, 420 and 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Anaj Mandi, District Patiala. He apprehended his arrest at the hands of Police in the above said FIR.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has invited the attention of the Court to the order dated 13.01.2020 whereby while issuing notice of motion to the respondent-State, the interim protection was extended to the petitioner. The said order reads as under:-

“Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has initiated proceedings against the employer under the Industrial Disputes Act and, therefore, this FIR was lodged to pressurise him. Also, reliance is placed on the order dated 20.12.2019 passed in CRM-M No.55182 of 2019 in respect of the co-accused.

Notice of motion for 19.02.2020.

Meanwhile, the petitioner shall join the investigation and

would come present as and when called for and in the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be admitted to interim bail on his furnishing personal and surety bonds to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. The petitioner shall also abide by the conditions as specified under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner further contends that in deference to the said order, the petitioner submitted himself before the Police and joined the investigation. According to him, the petitioner cooperated with the Police Authorities during the investigation and furnished requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer/Arresting Officer.

Learned State counsel who is assisted by ASI Ram Karan does not dispute this fact that the petitioner has joined the investigation and states that he is not required for custodial interrogation for the time being.

Considering above, the petition is allowed and the interim bail granted by this Court vide order dated 13.01.2020 is made absolute.

19.02.2020
Jasmine Kaur

(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes
No