

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

CRM-M-3961-2020
Decided on :03.02.2020

Labh Singh & anr.

..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Harsh Goyal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Ms. Jaspreet Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

Manjari Nehru Kaul, J.

Instant petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.PC for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners in case FIR No.131 dated 22.12.2019 for the offences under Sections 341, 323, 354-D, 34 IPC (Section 354-B and Sections 3 and 4 of POCSO Act) registered at Police Station Sandaur, District Sangrur.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the FIR in question has been registered by the complainant to wreak vengeance on the petitioners due to a previous enmity with them with regard to the use of water and street as they are admittedly neighbours. It has also been contended that the delay of two days in registration of the FIR speaks volumes that the allegations levelled against the petitioners have been concocted and the injuries on the person of the complainant are thus seemingly self inflicted.

Learned State counsel while opposing the bail application submits that the allegations against the petitioners are serious and grave in nature. In the supplementary statement of the victim as well as in her

statement under Section 164 Cr.PC recorded before the Court, offence under Section 354-B was added.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case and submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner, no ground for grant of anticipatory bail is made out. Accordingly, the present petition is dismissed. However, it is clarified that nothing observed herein above would be construed as an expression on the merits of the case.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable :

Yes/No