

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

CRM-M-16093-2020

Date of Decision: 22.06.2020

Yadwinder Singh

.. Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present: Mr. B.D. Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

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Manoj Bajaj, J. (Oral)

Petitioner has filed this petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.19 dated 29.01.2013 under Section 420 IPC, 1860 and Section 42 of the Prisons Act, 1894, registered at Police Station Cantonment, District Amritsar City.

During the course of hearing, it is not disputed that the petitioner absented from trial proceedings on 26.03.2019 and thereafter, never joined the proceedings. The only explanation pleaded in the petition is that the trial Court counsel and his clerk did not inform him about the next date of hearing and, therefore, he could not appear. The sole ground raised in the petition is not worth acceptance. It is apparent that the petitioner has not approached the Court with clean hands and has raised the frivolous ground to justify his absence. Even otherwise, the present petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. would not be maintainable as the petitioner was on regular bail.

This Court does not find any merit in the petition and the same is dismissed.

**(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE**

22.06.2020
Jasmine Kaur

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes
No