

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

**CRM-M No.17406 of 2020 (O&M)  
Date of Decision: 21.08.2020**

Madi Singh @ Avtar Singh

..... Petitioner

*Versus*

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU**

Present:- Mr. Suresh Singla, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, DAG, Punjab  
for the respondent.

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**MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J. (Oral)**

Present petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner in FIR No.195 dated 22.09.2017, under Sections 341, 324, 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (Section 326, IPC added later on, vide DDR No.22 dated 12.10.2017), registered at Police Station Maur, District Bathinda.

This Court, while issuing notice of motion on 03.07.2020, passed the following order:-

“ *Contends that, although, the FIR in question was registered way-back on 22.09.2017, but the police remained in deep slumber as no investigation has been conducted, in the matter.*

*Notice of motion for 21.08.2020.*

*In the meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join 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) of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973. ”*

Contends that in terms of the above order, petitioner has joined the investigation.

                    Learned State Counsel, on instructions from A.S.I. Gurmail Singh, has acknowledged that in terms of order dated 03.07.2020, petitioner has joined the investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required.

                    In view of above, interim order dated 03.07.2020 is made absolute subject to the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

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

                    Disposed off accordingly.

**August 21, 2020**  
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**( MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU )**  
**JUDGE**

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