

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

**CRM-M-23287-2020 (O&M)**

**Date of Decision:15.10.2020**

Harpreet Singh @ King

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & another

... Respondents

**CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.**

Present:- Mr. PKS Phoolka, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. A.S. Sandhu, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

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**TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J. (ORAL).**

Matter has been taken up through Video Conferencing via Webex facility in the light of the Pandemic Covid-19 situation and as per instructions.

Instant petition has been preferred under Section 438 Cr.P.C. seeking concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.226, dated 19.09.2019, under Sections 376-D/384/506/120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Canal Colony Bathinda, District Bathinda.

Petition came up for preliminary hearing on 19.08.2020 and while issuing notice of motion returnable for today, ad interim protection was granted subject to the petitioner joining investigation.

Learned State counsel has today informed the Court that the petitioner has chosen not to join investigation. Such factual premise is conceded even by counsel representing the petitioner.

No plausible and justifiable basis has been disclosed as to why the petitioner having been protected on 19.08.2020, has not joined the investigation till date.

Conduct of the petitioner dis-entitles him from the concession of pre-arrest bail.

Petition is dismissed.

15.10.2020

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(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)  
JUDGE

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| i)  | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable?        | Yes/No |