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

CRM-M-498-2020

Date of decision-06.07.2021

MEHAR SINGH

...Petitioner

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present: Mr. Jatinder Pal Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramandeep Singh Sandhu, Sr. DAG, Punjab

MANOJ BAJAJ, J. (ORAL)

This petition has been filed by the petitioner under Section 438 Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.174 dated 24.10.2015 under Sections 406 & 409 of Indian Penal Code, 1860 registered at Police Station Dharamkot, District Moga. The petitioner apprehended his arrest at the hands of Police, in the above FIR.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has invited the attention of the Court to the order dated 20.01.2020, whereby, the interim protection was extended to the petitioner. The said order reads as under:-

*“Heard.**Adjourned to 12.05.2020.**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 Boota Singh does not dispute this fact that the petitioner has joined the investigation and 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 20.01.2020 is made absolute.

(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

06.07.2021

<i>Vipin kumar</i>	Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
	Whether Reportable :	Yes	No