

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

**CRM-M-466-2020 (O&M)**

**Date of Decision: 10.09.2021**

Sonu Kumar

....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana

....Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL**

Present: Mr. Anureet Singh Sidhu, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Naveen Singh Panwar, DAG, Haryana  
assisted by ASI Arvind.

**GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)**

1. The petitioner seeks grant of anticipatory bail in respect of a case registered against him vide FIR No.258 dated 07.11.2019 at Police Station Sector-14, District Panchkula, under Sections 148/149/307/323/452/506 IPC and Section 25 of Arms Act.
2. The FIR was lodged at the instance of Amit Sharma, senior crime reporter in Newspaper Dainik Bhaskar, wherein it is alleged that on 07.11.2019 when he and his brother Deepak Kumar had come to Panchkula, he was sitting in his office at about 6:45 PM, in the meanwhile one Amit resident of Patiala, Luv, Ram along with other persons entered in his office and started abusing him on some old issue. They gave injuries to the complainant's brother and threatened them, on which the staff of his office sent those persons back. When

the complainant came downstairs and was anxious for his brother Deepak, then Amit, Luv and Ram alongwith 3-4 unknown person started beating his brother. It is alleged that the complainant and his brother were attacked on their face and head, upon which the complainant sustained deep wound on the back side of his head. One Amit also hit him on the head with *butt* of his revolver and the said persons were armed with knives, hammer, patchkush and other sharp weapons. When the crowd gathered in the market of Sector-16, they escaped.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that he is nowhere named in the FIR and has been nominated on the basis of a disclosure statements alleged to have been made by co-accused Ravi and one Dhanna and that the said Dhanna himself is also not named in the FIR.
4. Opposing the petition, learned State counsel has submitted that since Ravi who is specifically named in the FIR, has nominated the petitioner to be a co-accused, no case for grant of bail is made out. It has further been informed that although the petitioner has joined investigation, but he is not cooperating inasmuch as he has not got the weapon of offence recovered. It has also been informed that the petitioner is not wanted in any other case.
5. I have considered rival submissions addressed before this Court.
6. Having regard to the fact that the petitioner came to be nominated on the basis of a disclosure statements and has also joined investigation and has a clean record, the petition is accepted and the interim directions issued by this Court vide order dated 09.01.2020 are hereby made absolute subject to the condition that the petitioner shall join investigation as and when called upon to do so and cooperate with the

Investigating Officer and shall also abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

10.09.2021

(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)

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JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No  
Whether reportable: Yes/No