

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M No.3766 of 2021
Date of Decision: 16.11.2021

Amritpal Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present: Mr. Amaninder Preet, 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 pre-arrest bail in case FIR No.110 dated 31.07.2020, under Sections 455, 353, 186, 427, 511, 506 and 149 of Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station Tappa Mandi, District Barnala. The petitioner apprehended his arrest at the hands of police.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has invited the attention of the Court to the order dated 01.02.2021, whereby the interim protection was extended to the petitioner. The said order reads as under:-

“The matter has been taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to outbreak of COVID-19.

The FIR in the case was registered after a week of the incident.

Adjourned to 10.05.2021.

In the meantime, in the event of arrest of the petitioner, he shall be released on ad-interim bail to the satisfaction of the arresting officer. However, the petitioner shall join the investigation as and when directed by the investigating agency and shall abide by the terms and conditions laid down 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 Jasbir Singh, does not dispute this fact that the petitioner has joined the investigation. Learned counsel, on instructions, further states that the petitioner is not required for custodial interrogation for the time being.

Considering the above, the petition is allowed and the interim bail granted by this Court vide order dated 01.02.2021 is made absolute.

(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether reportable Yes/No