

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-4548-2021

DATE OF DECISION: 09.03.2021

RANA

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. R.P. Dhir, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.141 dated 02.09.2020, under Sections 379 and 411 IPC, registered at Police Station Bullowal, District Hoshiarpur.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that there is a delay of 24 days in lodging the FIR wherein it is stated that 03 buffaloes of the complainant were stolen. The petitioner is not named in the FIR and has been arraigned as an accused on the supplementary statement of the complainant. He further contends that the petitioner is not involved in any other criminal case and co-accused Surjit Singh has been granted ad interim bail by this Court in CRM-M-42869-2020 on 18.12.2020.

This Court, by the order dated 01.02.2021, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was to be released on ad-interim bail to the satisfaction of the Investigating/Arresting Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Avtar Singh, states that the petitioner has joined the investigation.

In view of the above and the petitioner having joined investigation, the order dated 01.02.2021 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

However, the petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. He shall also join investigation as and when called upon to do so.

The petition stands disposed of.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

09.03.2021

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