

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

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**CRM-M-5233-2021**

Date of decision : 25.03.2021.

Malkiat Singh and others

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab

.. Respondent

**CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL**

Present:- Mr. Arshdeep Singh Kler, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Amandeep Singh Gulati, Advocate for the complainant.

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**Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)**

The petitioners are seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.10 dated 23.12.2020, under Sections 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station NIR Patiala, District Patiala.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the petitioners are attesting witnesses to the Will executed by the father of the complainant. The Will is a matter of challenge in the Civil Court. Neither the ownership nor the possession of the property has changed and no harm is caused in real terms. He also contends that the beneficiaries of the Will namely Parghat Singh and Ajaib Singh are in custody. There is no allegation that any benefit has been derived by the petitioners. Petitioner No.1 is 63 year old while petitioner No.3 is 72 years of age. The petitioners are not involved in any other criminal case.

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This Court, by the order dated 18.02.2021, had directed the petitioners to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation and in the event of their arrest, they were 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 has filed a short reply by way of affidavit of DSP, NRI Wing, Patiala which is taken on record. It is stated in the reply that the petitioners have connived with the main accused in preparing the forged Will. He, upon instructions from ASI Mohinder Singh, states that the petitioners have joined the investigation.

In view of the above and the petitioners having joined investigation, the order dated 18.02.2021 granting interim bail to the petitioners is made absolute.

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

The petition stands disposed of.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)  
JUDGE

**March 25, 2021**  
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| Whether Reportable        | : | Yes/No |