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

**CRM-M-7143-2021
Date of decision-04.08.2021**

GURMEJ SINGH**...Petitioner****Vs.****STATE OF PUNJAB****...Respondent****CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ**

Present: Ms. Satwant Mehta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramandeep Singh Sandhu, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Anil Chawla, Advocate
for the complainant.

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.244 dated 22.06.2020 under Sections 326, 323, 324, 506, 148 & 149 Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station Goindwal Sahib, District Tarn Taran. 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 16.02.2021, whereby, while issuing notice of motion to respondent-State, the interim protection was extended to the petitioner. The said order reads as under:-

“Learned counsel for the petitioner prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner while inter-alia contending that the petitioner has been

falsely implicated in the present case and no specific role has been attributed to the petitioner regarding causing any injury to the complainant and he is ready and willing to join the investigation. It is also contended that it is a case of version and cross-version and a DDR has been got registered by the petitioner against the complainant.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Monika Jalota, D.A.G., Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent State and seeks time to file reply.

Mr. Anil Chawla, Advocate has put in appearance on behalf of the complainant by filing the power of attorney. He seeks time to file reply.

Adjourned to 04.08.2021.

Meanwhile, petitioner is directed to join the investigation within a period of one week and on doing so, the petitioner be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. However, the petitioner shall continue to join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and shall abide by the conditions incorporated 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 her, 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 Manjit 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 the above, the petition is allowed and the interim bail granted by this Court vide order dated 16.02.2021 is made absolute.

(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

04.08.2021

Vipin kumar

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No