

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

CRM-M-9243-2021 (O&M)
Date of decision: 07.04.2021

Deepak

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE H.S. MADAAN

Present: Mr. Manoj Gupta, Advocate for
Mr. Parminder Walia, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. J.S. Ghuman, DAG, Punjab.

H.S. MADAAN, J. (Oral)

CRM-10006-2021

Vide order dated 26.02.2021, the petitioner/accused Deepak was granted interim bail with a direction to join the investigation within 07 days from that date and to render cooperation. He has failed to do so. An application for extension of time to join the investigation has been filed on his behalf, which is dated 25.03.2021 i.e. after a month of passing of the order. *Inter alia*, it is mentioned that due to communication gap, the order could not be conveyed to the petitioner and he had gone to the Police Station for joining the investigation but was not allowed to do so. The reason given does not seem to be convincing. It was duty of the petitioner-accused to remain in contact with his counsel to find out about the proceedings in the petition for pre-arrest bail filed by him and counsel is not expected to run after the petitioner to convey the orders passed by

the Court to the petitioner. That shoes laxity on the part of the petitioner which cannot be condoned. The assertion that the petitioner had gone to the Police Station but was not allowed to join the investigation also does not seem to be convincing because no date or month has been mentioned in that regard. There is no reason to accept the application. The same is declined.

Main Case

Since the petitioner has not complied with the direction issued to him to join the investigation, vide order dated 26.02.2021, he is not entitled to discretionary equitable relief of pre-arrest bail. The petition so filed by him stands dismissed.

07.04.2021

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(H.S. MADAAN)
JUDGE

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