

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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**CRM-M-10157-2021 (O & M)
Date of Decision: August 17, 2021**

IQBAL SINGH

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Tarun Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Harpreet Singh Multani, AAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

Case taken up through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 0175 dated 01.12.2019, under Sections 302, 336, 506, 148 and 149 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, besides Sections 25 and 27 of the Arms Act, 1959 [Sections 3 and 4 of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 added later on] registered at Police Station Kot Isse Khan, District Moga.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is not named in the FIR. He has been arraigned as an accused only because he is the father of accused Sukhdeep Singh, who had used the licenced gun of the petitioner by allegedly firing a shot at the DJ, as he had refused to play music after 10:00 p.m. He also contends that the petitioner was not even present at the place of occurrence. He is 58 years of age and is not involved in any other criminal case. He further contends that the son of the petitioner is in custody.

This Court, by the order dated 04.03.2021, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation

and in the event of his arrest, he was ordered 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, on instructions from ASI Major Singh, states that the petitioner has joined investigation.

In view of the above and the petitioner having joined investigation, the order dated 04.03.2021 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

August 17, 2021
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Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No