

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

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**CRM-M-14098-2021
Decided on : 12.11.2021**

Manjinder Singh @ Manna @ Manpreet Singh

. . . Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and another

. . . Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

PRESENT: None for the petitioner(s).

Ms. Jaspreet Kaur, AAG, Punjab
assisted by ASI Daljit Kaur.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C., for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, in case FIR No. 49, dated 10.03.2021, under Sections 376, 506 of IPC, registered at Police Station Majitha, District Amritsar (Annexure P-1).

The coordinate Bench of this Court passed the interim order dated 13th July, 2021 in the following terms:

“Learned State counsel has referred to the statement of prosecutrix recorded under Section 164 Cr.P.C. Besides copy of her MLR through the whatsapp group. Let these documents be placed on record.

Learned counsel for the petitioners prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner while inter alia arguing that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case and that in fact there was a friendship between the petitioner and the prosecutrix. He would also rely upon certain call records in support of his arguments. It is also argued that there is an inordinate delay in registration of the FIR as the alleged incident

is stated to have taken place on 05.03.2021 whereas the FIR has been registered on 10.03.2021 while further contending that he is ready and willing to join the investigation.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that pursuant to the aforesaid order dated 13th July, 2021, the petitioner has joined investigation. He has further the Court that the parties have also solemnized their marriage.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Daljit Kaur, does not dispute the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation. She further submits that she has instructions to state that the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required in the case in hand.

In view of the above, the petition is allowed and interim order dated 13th July, 2021, is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

November 12, 2021

J.Ram

Whether speaking/reasoned: *Yes/No*

Whether Reportable: *Yes/No*