

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

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**CRM-M-11833-2020(O&M)
Decided on : 31.08.2021**

ANOOP SINGH

. . . Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

. . . Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

(Through Video Conferencing)

PRESENT: Mr. Amit Dhawan, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, AAG Punjab
assisted by ASI Sukhdev Singh.

Mr. Jasmeet Singh Ghumman, Advocate
for the complainant.

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.32 dated 20.02.2020 under Section 376 and 506 of the IPC registered at Police Station Basti Bawa Khel, District Jalandhar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that pursuant to order dated 20th March 2020 passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined investigation. It is the case of the petitioner that the complainant, who is a married lady has got registered the FIR in question by bringing forth a totally fabricated version against the petitioner inasmuch as there was no

evidence, much less, medical evidence to corroborate the allegations levelled against him. It has been further submitted that the petitioner had been dragged into the net only on account of the fact that the husband of the complainant, with whom she had strained relations, was his ex-employee and thus she was offended with the petitioner as she felt he would support the complainant's husband.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Sukhdev Singh states that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is no longer required for further interrogation. He has further apprised the Court that challan has been presented and charges stands framed.

In view of the above, the petition is allowed and interim order dated 20th March 2020 is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) CrPC.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

August 31, 2021
S.Sharma(syr)

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned:</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable:</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>