

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

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CRM-M-18030-2021

Decided on : 01.09.2021

Raju and others

. . . Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab

. . . Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

(Through Video Conferencing)

PRESENT: Mr. P. K. S. Phoolka, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. P. S. Walia, Asstt. A. G., Punjab.

VIKAS BAHL, 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. 82 dated 20.04.2020 under Sections 452, 323, 427, 148, 149 IPC registered at Police Station Canal Colony, District Bathinda.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that there is no specific injury attributed to the petitioners. It is further submitted that petitioner Nos. 2 and 3 caught hold of the legs and arms of the complainant Vicky and manhandled him. It is further submitted that more than 15 persons have been made accused in the present case and the persons who are alleged to have given injuries have already been granted regular bail. It is further submitted that Sunder Ram @ Babla who was similarly placed as the petitioners has been granted the concession of anticipatory bail by a coordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 19.02.2021 (Annexure P-3). It is further submitted that the

petitioners are not involved in any other case.

Learned State counsel has opposed the prayer for grant of anticipatory bail and stated that the case is at investigation stage but however, could not dispute the above said factual averments as made by the learned counsel for the petitioner.

Keeping in view the above said facts and circumstances, more so the fact that the petitioners have not been attributed any specific injury and the co-accused of the petitioners has already been granted anticipatory bail by a coordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 19.02.2021 and also the fact that the petitioners are not involved in any other case, this Court deems it appropriate to allow the present petition and grants anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

In view of the above, the present petition is allowed and it is ordered that the petitioners in the event of arrest shall be released on bail subject to their furnishing personal bonds and sureties to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. However, the petitioners shall join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and shall abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

However, nothing stated above shall be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE

01.09.2021

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Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes/No
Yes/No