

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

CRM-M-20188-2021

DECIDED ON: 5th JULY, 2021

SUKHWINDER CHAND

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN.

Present: Mr.Parampreet S.Bajwa Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (ORAL)

The matter is taken up for hearing through video conference due to COVID-19 situation.

This petition is filed for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No. 10, dated 18.03.2021 under Sections 420/120-B IPC and Sections 7, 7-A of P.C.Act registered at Police Station Vigilance Bureau, Patiala.

This Court vide order dated 20th May, 2021 granted the interim bail subject to joining investigation. The order is reproduced below:-

“ The petitioner herein seeks the concession of anticipatory bail in the criminal case as registered at Police Station Vigilance Bureau, Patiala vide FIR No.10 dated 18.03.2021 under Sections 420/120-B IPC and Sections 7 and 7A of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Rashmi Attri, Assistant Advocate Genreral, Punjab, who has joined the proceedings on behalf of the respondent in this case, in pursuance of the copy of this petition having been

sent to the respondent-State in advance, accepts the notice. However, she seeks time to file a detailed written reply in the present matter.

Let the same be filed on or before 05.07.2021 with the copy thereof to the counsel opposite, well in advance.

Meanwhile, in the event of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on ad-interim bail subject to his furnishing the requisite bail bonds in the sum of Rs.25,000/- with one surety in the like amount to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer.

The petitioner shall join in the investigation as and when required to do so and shall also abide by all the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2), Cr.P.C.”

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Rajneesh Kaushal, submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required.

As no custodial interrogation is needed, the interim bail granted on 20th May, 2021 is made absolute.

Disposed of accordingly.

(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

5th JULY, 2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned *Yes/No*

Whether reportable *Yes/No*