

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

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**CRM-M-19995 of 2021  
Date of Decision : 27.10.2021**

**Gurdev Singh @ Bitta**

**...Petitioner**

**Versus**

**State of Punjab**

**...Respondent**

***CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI***

Present: None for the petitioner.

Mr. Kirat Singh Sidhu, DAG, Punjab.

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**Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)**

Petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.0020 dated 31.03.2021 registered under Sections 18, 21, 27-A of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985; Sections 25 and 27 of the Arms Act; Section 3 of the Indian Passport Act, 1920 and Section 14 of the Foreigner Act, 1946 at Police Station Ramdas, District Amritsar Rural.

On 03.08.2021, a Coordinate Bench of this Court had passed the following orders:

“The case has been taken up for hearing through video conferencing..

The petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 0020 dated 31.03.2021 registered under Sections 18, 21 and 27-A of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic

Substances Act, 1985, Section 25 and 27 of the Arms Act, 1959, Section 3 of the Indian Passport Act, 1920 and Section 14 of the Foreigner Act, 1946 at Police Station Ramdas, District Amritsar Rural.

Learned counsel for the petitioner reiterates her submissions made on 19.05.2021.

Learned State counsel seeks time to file reply.

Adjourned to 14.10.2021.

In the meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation as and when called upon to do so. In the event of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim anticipatory bail by the arresting officer/investigating officer on furnishing of bail bonds by him to the satisfaction of the arresting officer/investigating officer. The petitioner shall comply with the conditions enumerated under Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C. failing which she shall not be entitled to the protection of interim anticipatory bail allowed to him.”

Learned State counsel on instructions from S.I. Sukhwinderjeet Singh states that in terms of the order passed by a Coordinate Bench of this Court reproduced before, the petitioner has joined the investigation and he is not required for further interrogation, at this stage.

In view of the above, the order dated 03.08.2021 passed by a Coordinate Bench of this Court 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.

In case at any given point of time hereinafter, it is felt by the Investigating Agency that petitioner is required for the investigation but is not co-operating, it will be at liberty to approach this Court for passing

appropriate orders.

The petition stands disposed of.

October 27, 2021  
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)  
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No  
Whether reportable : Yes/No