

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

**CRM-M-28581-2021(O&M)**

**Date of decision: 17.11.2021**

Maan Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL**

Present:- Mr. Ashok Giri, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG Punjab.

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**HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)**

Through this petition, the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case bearing FIR No.100 dated 15.08.2018, under Sections 302, 201, 506 read with Section 34 IPC, and Sections 3(1)(x), 3(2)(v) SC & ST Act, 1989 (added later on), at Police Station Kathgarh, District Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been implicated in the above noted FIR due to mistaken identity; that co-accused, namely, Gurjant Singh, stands acquitted by the trial Court, vide judgment dated 05.01.2021 passed by the Additional Sessions Judge, SBS Nagar, by noticing that no offence under the provisions of SC & ST Act, was made out, and that co-accused, Avtar Singh, being a juvenile, already stands enlarged on anticipatory bail.

He further submits that actually the petitioner is Maan Singh son of Harpinder Singh and that even in the Challan presented against co-accused Gurjant Singh, name of one of the co-accused was mentioned as Ashu Mann son of Bhupinder Singh. The petitioner is not known as Ashu Mann son of Bhupinder Singh.

Learned State counsel points out that the present FIR was got registered on the statement of Kashmiri Lal with the allegations that on 27.06.2018, his nephew Lovepreet Singh alias Lovely and Rajvinder Kaur alias Rajji went somewhere out of their own will, but on 29.06.2018, Joga Singh, his son-in-law, Surjant Singh, Ashu and four unknown persons came to the house of his brother Raj Kumar and had issued threats to kill them, besides stating that they would kill the boy and girl and throw them somewhere. When his nephew and said Rajvinder Kaur, went missing, they started searching them and only on 14.08.2018, the dead body of Lovepreet Singh was found in Satluj River, Burji No.5, Laddowal. It was further alleged that it was a case of honour killing. Thus, the State Counsel would state that the allegations being very grave and serious, the petitioner is not entitled to the concession of anticipatory bail.

After having heard learned counsel for the parties, I do not find any merit in the present petition.

The petitioner has specifically been named by the family members of deceased Lovepreet Singh @ Lovely. In their statements, they

have specifically stated that the petitioner's name is Maan Singh and he is also known as Ashu Mann. In view of the said fact, the submission of the learned counsel for the petitioner regarding the petitioner's implication upon mistaken identity falls flat.

The present petition is dismissed.

However, any observation made herein shall not be construed to be an expression on merits of the case.

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)  
JUDGE

17.11.2021  
Mangal Singh

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| Whether reasoned/speaking? | Yes/No |
| Whether reportable?        | Yes/No |