

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-32974-2021 (O&M)
Date of decision: 14.12.2021

Ranjodh Singh

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. P.S. Ahluwalia, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Bhavna Gupta, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No.0024 dated 16.02.2021 under Sections 420, 120-B, 506 IPC, registered at Police Station Nihal Singh Wala, District Moga.

While granting interim bail to the petitioner, following order was passed by this Court on 01.09.2021: -

“...Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in the FIR, registered at the instance of Manjeet Kaur, it is stated that her son Harpreet Singh was doing cultivation of agricultural land and was looking for matrimonial alliance. Their neighbour Baljinder Singh

proposed the matrimonial alliance of daughter of the petitioner, who is willing to go abroad. It is further stated in the FIR that daughter of the petitioner went abroad and came back and thereafter, performed marriage, however, despite best efforts, son of the complainant could not get visa for Canada and on that pretext, present FIR has been registered with the allegations that the petitioner has taken money from the complainant. It is further submitted that the petitioner, in fact, is a very poor person and has four daughters and has no means to perform the marriage of his daughter and the visa was rejected twice. It is also submitted that wife of the petitioner was arrested and has been released on interim bail.

Learned State counsel, in compliance of the order dated 16.08.2021, has verified the financial status of the petitioner and submits that he has only one house having a value of approximately Rs.10.00 lacs and has no means to send son of the complainant abroad...”

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in pursuance of the aforesaid order, the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for any further investigation.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Kuldeep Raj, has not disputed the factual position and states that the petitioner is no more required for any further investigation.

In view of the above, this petition is allowed and the interim bail

granted to the petitioner vide order dated 01.09.2021 is made absolute subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

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[ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN]
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No