

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Sr. No. 206 (2)

CRM-M-38023-2021

Date of decision : 08.11.2021

Gurkanwaljeet Singh @ Gurkawaljit Singh

..... Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Ms.Amandeep Kaur, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Ms.Gunkirat Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (ORAL)

The matter has been taken up through video conferencing.

Through the present petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in FIR No.72 dated 12.03.2018 registered under Sections 419 and 420 IPC at Police Station City Tarn Taran, District Tarn Taran.

The petitioner is being prosecuted for having caused someone else to appear in his place in his matriculation examination which took place in the year 2018.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is sarpanch of village Chakk Kharanj, Tehsil Jalalabad, District Fazilka and therefore has been falsely implicated in this case due to political reasons; he has no other criminal case pending against him; eleven out of fourteen co-accused in the FIR in question against whom there are similar allegations have already been granted anticipatory bail by this Court; no recovery is required to be made from him and that under the interim order passed by this Court the petitioner has not only joined investigation but has also cooperated with the investigating agency.

Learned State counsel submits that under the interim order passed by this Court the petitioner has joined investigation; has cooperated with the investigating agency and that his custodial interrogation is not required by the State.

After considering the above noted facts especially the statement made by learned State counsel that the petitioner has joined investigation; has cooperated with the investigating agency and that his custodial interrogation is not required by the State, the order of this Court dated 14.09.2021, granting ad interim anticipatory bail to the petitioner is ordered to be made absolute.

Nothing observed herein-above shall be considered to be an expression of opinion by this Court on the merits of the case.

08.11.2021
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[DEEPAK SIBAL]
JUDGE

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