

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

(Sr. No.201)

CRM-M No. 32872 of 2020

Date of decision : 08.02.2021

Parwinder Singh @ Pinder

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present : Ms. Arshiya Bajaj, Advocate for
Mr. Khushdeep Mann, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Harsimar Singh Sitta, AAG, Punjab.

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DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (Oral)

Case taken up through video conferencing.

Through the present petition, the petitioner seeks the grant of concession of anticipatory bail in FIR No. 294 dated 05.09.2020, registered under Sections 354, 354-A, 509 IPC at Police Station Lambi, district Sri Muktsar Sahib, Punjab.

Briefly stated, the case of the prosecution is that on 31.08.2020 at 12:30 p.m. the petitioner after entering the complainant's house, molested her.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case at the behest of the complainant who

is a habitual blackmailer; the complainant uses different identities to blackmail her victims and *prima facie* evidence in this regard has already come on the police record; the complainant had sought from the petitioner a huge amount of money but since he refused to **succumb** to such demands, the complainant has instituted the present case against the petitioner; there is no other criminal case in which the petitioner is involved and that under the interim orders passed by this Court the petitioner has not only joined investigation but has also fully cooperated with the investigating agency.

Learned State counsel submits that under the interim orders passed by this Court, the petitioner has not only joined the investigation but he has fully cooperated with the investigating agency and that his custodial interrogation is not required by the State.

Keeping in view the totality of the above noticed facts especially the statement made by the learned State counsel that the petitioner has joined the investigation and that his custodial interrogation is not required, the order of this Court dated 17.11.2020, granting *ad interim* anticipatory bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

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

08.02.2021*sunil yadav***(DEEPAK SIBAL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No