

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-38235-2021

Date of decision : 7.12.2021

Gurnam Singh

... Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Sahil Khunger, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ms. Bhavna Gupta, DAG, Punjab.

KARAMJIT SINGH, J.(Oral)

Case has been heard through video conferencing on account of COVID-19 Pandemic.

The present petition has been filed under Section 438 of code of Criminal Procedure for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.67 dated 7.8.2019 registered under Sections 186, 353, 427, 506, 148, 149, 379 IPC (Section 307 IPC added later on) and Section 21 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation of Development) Act, 1957 at Police Station Ladhuwal, District Ludhiana.

As per allegations in the FIR, a team of officials of Mining Department was attacked by some persons who were armed with iron rods on the intervening night of 7.7.,2019 in the area of village Khadak, Nurpur Bet, Ludhiana when the said officials had gone there for checking of illegal mining.

not named in the FIR and subsequently, he was arraigned as accused on the basis of the alleged disclosure of co-accused Navdeep Singh @ Sibba. He further submitted that the petitioner has joined the investigation with the police in compliance of the order passed by this Court on the last date of hearing.

Learned State counsel while opposing the prayer for bail, on instructions from ASI Gurbaj Singh has admitted the fact that the petitioner has already joined the investigation with the police in light of previous orders.

No specific injury has been attributed to the petitioner. Admittedly, the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required by the police for any further investigation.

In view of the above, the present petition is allowed and order of interim bail dated 16.9.2021 is hereby made absolute subject to the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) of Cr.P.C.

December 7, 2021

Paritosh Kumar

**(KARAMJIT SINGH)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No