

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

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CRM-M-33932-2020

Date of Decision:06.08.2021

DALJIT SINGH

...PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL

Present: Mr. Harsimrat Randhawa, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Singh Deol, DAG, Punjab.

SUVIR SEHGAL, J.(ORAL)

The Court has been convened through video conferencing due to Covid-19 pandemic.

On 22.10.2020, a Co-ordinate Bench of this Court had passed the following order:-

“The case has been taken up through Video Conferencing due to prevailing situation of COVID-19.

This petition, under Section 438 Cr.P.C, has been moved by the petitioner, seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.39 dated 13.02.2020, under Sections 420 and 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Talwandi Sabo, District Bathinda.

The FIR in this case was registered against the petitioner, his parents as well as his two sisters on the basis of complaint lodged against them by Sukhmander Singh. In the complaint, it was alleged that his son Pritam Singh got married with Ramanpreet Kaur, sister of the petitioner. The said marriage was performed subject to condition that Ramanpreet Kaur would take Pritam Singh to Canada. There are also allegations that the complainant gave huge amount worth Rs.24,00,000/- (approximately) to the petitioner and other members of his family, in that regard. However, the accused persons failed to fulfill their promise.

At the outset, learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that Pritam Singh and his wife Ramanpreet Kaur are presently residing in Canada but they are not cohabiting. Learned counsel for the petitioner also brought to the notice of the Court that father and the elder sister of the petitioner as well as his mother have already been granted anticipatory bail.

Notice of motion.

At this stage, Mr. Randhir Singh Thind, DAG, Punjab, has accepted notice on behalf of the respondent and sought adjournment to seek proper instructions to assist the Court.

Adjourned to 11.11.2020.

In the meantime, in case of arrest, the petitioner is directed to be released on interim bail by the Investigating Officer to his own satisfaction till the next date of hearing, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. The petitioner should join the investigation with the police, well in time before the next date of hearing.”

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Gurpreet Singh, states that the petitioner has joined the investigation and he is no longer required for custodial interrogation. He has further instructions to state that the petitioner is not involved in any other criminal case.

In view of the said facts, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 22.10.2020 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute, subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

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(SUVIR SEHGAL)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No