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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.43501 of 2021 (O&M)
Date of decision: 14.10.2021

Mohinder Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. Mohit Sadana, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN J. (Oral)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No.0116 dated 09.09.2021 registered under Sections 306, 34 IPC at Police Station Sadar Sangrur, District Sangrur.

Counsel for the petitioner has argued that the petitioner is aged about 72 years and as per the allegations in the FIR, registered at the instance of Manjit Kaur, it is stated that the accused namely Manpreet Kaur @ Mani, Mohinder Singh (petitioner herein), Kuldeep Singh and Jassi, started harassing the deceased Maghar Singh, brother of the complainant and on that pretext, he committed suicide.

Counsel for the petitioner has further submitted that in fact, Manpreet Kaur (co-accused) and the deceased Maghar Singh were in relationship with each other and had solemnized the marriage and the petitioner being an old man had no interference in their married life. It is also submitted that even from the bare perusal of the FIR, no allegations of abetment are made out against the petitioner except the

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general allegation that all the 04 accused were harassing Maghar Singh.

Counsel for the State, though, opposed the prayer for bail, however, could not disputed the factual position that there are no specific allegation against the petitioner. It is also not disputed that the petitioner is an old man, however, it is submitted that there are serious allegations against the other accused persons.

In view of the above, considering the fact the petitioner is an old man and from the bare perusal of the FIR, no allegation of abetment is made out against the petitioner, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer within a period of 15 days from today and he will be released on anticipatory bail on furnishing bail/surety bonds, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Disposed of.

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No

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