In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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CRM-M-40473-2020 (O & M)
Date of Decision: March 02, 2021

HARMANDER SINGH .....**PETITIONER**

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB ....**RESPONDENT**

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Ms. Anu Garg, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

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ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.63 dated 17.03.2020, under Sections 306, 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station Sadar, District Bathinda.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged in the FIR which has been registered by the sister of the deceased that the deceased had committed suicide and a written letter was recovered from the pocket of his *kurta* which suggests that he had committed suicide due to harassment by the petitioner and other accused. She, however, contends that the alleged letter has not been sent to forensic examination and the complainant has resiled from her statement as mentioned in the status report filed by Deputy Superintendent of Police (Rural), Bathinda.

In the aforesaid status report, it is mentioned that the complainant had produced an affidavit dated 02.09.2020 which states that she had got

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registered the FIR against the accused out of misconception. It has also been stated that the suicide note has not been sent to FSL as the complainant has not supplied the required documents.

This Court, by the order dated 21.01.2021, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was ordered to be released on ad-interim bail to the satisfaction of the Investigating/Arresting Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Nachattar Singh, states that the petitioner has joined investigation.

In view of the above and the petitioner having joined investigation, the order dated 21.01.2021 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

However, the petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. He shall also join investigation as and when called upon to do so.

The petition stands disposed of.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
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Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes/No
Whether Reportable : Yes/No

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