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

CRM-M-43373-2020

Date of decision-25.03.2021

SARABJIT SINGH**...Petitioner****Vs.****STATE OF PUNJAB****...Respondent****CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ**

Present: Mr. Piyush Khanna, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramandeep Sandhu, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

*********MANOJ BAJAJ, J.**

This petition has been filed by the petitioner under Section 438 Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No. 68 dated 21.05.2017 under Sections 420, 465, 467, 468 & 471 Indian Penal Code, 1860 registered at Police Station City, District Hoshiarpur. The petitioner apprehended his arrest at the hands of Police, in the above FIR.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has invited the attention of the Court to the order dated 22.12.2020, whereby while issuing notice of motion to respondent-State, the interim protection was extended to the petitioner. The said order reads as under:-

“Learned counsel contends that as per allegations, it was a sale transaction amongst the brothers and a similarly situated co-accused has already been extended the concession of pre-arrest bail by this Court. He has invited the attention of the Court to the order dated 17.07.2019.

Notice of motion for 25.03.2021.

Meanwhile, the petitioner shall join the investigation and would come present as and when called for and in the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be admitted to interim bail on his furnishing personal and

surety bonds to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. The petitioner shall also abide by the conditions as specified under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further contends that in deference to the said order, the petitioner submitted himself before the Police and joined the investigation. According to him, the petitioner cooperated with the Police Authorities during the investigation and furnished requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer/Arresting Officer.

Learned State counsel who is assisted by ASI Nanak Singh does not dispute this fact that the petitioner has joined the investigation and he is not required for custodial interrogation for the time being.

Considering above, the petition is allowed and the interim bail granted by this Court vide order dated 22.12.2020 is made absolute.

(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

25.03.2021
Vipin kumar

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No