

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

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CRM-M-50321-2021

Date of decision : 14.12.2021

Arvinder Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.. Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Ms. Satiner Kaur, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Aditi Girdhar, AAG, Haryana.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 575 dated 21.12.2020, under Sections 406 and 420 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 ('IPC' - for short) (Sections 407, 468, 420, 506, 471, 120-B and 506 of the IPC were added later on), registered at Police Station City Jind, District Jind.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged in the FIR that 'bardana', including the paddy, was loaded, but had not been delivered at the destination. She, however, contends that the FIR is the outcome of a monetary dispute which has now been resolved and the matter has been compromised. A copy of the compromise is at Annexure P3. She also contends that the petition of the petitioner bearing CRM-M No.35742 of 2021 for quashing of FIR on the basis of compromise, after notice of motion, is pending adjudication. She further contends that co-accused Kulvir Singh has already been granted anticipatory bail by this Court by order dated 30.11.2021 passed in CRM-M No. 8608 of 2021.

This Court, by order dated 02.12.2021 had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join 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 Inspector Dinesh Kumar, states that although the petitioner has joined investigation but he is not cooperating.

In view of the above especially when the FIR is outcome of a monetary dispute which has been settled and the petitioner having joined investigation, the Covid-19 Pandemic, the order dated 02.12.2021 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)
JUDGE

December 14, 2021
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No