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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-49226-2019

Date of Decision: 08.11.2021

Inderjit Singh

.. Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

..Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ**

Present: Mr. Bavyadeep Walia, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, DAG, Punjab.

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**Manoj Bajaj, J. (Oral)**

Petitioner has filed this petition under Section 438 Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of anticipatory bail in a case FIR No.75 dated 03.10.2019 under Sections 420 and 34 IPC, registered at Police Station Mehal Kalan, District Barnala. 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 20.11.2019 whereby while issuing notice of motion to the respondent-State, the interim protection was extended to the petitioner. The said order reads as under:-

*“Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the complaint given by Baljit Singh was directed against the accused Nirmal Singh who had allegedly received the amount for sending the complainant abroad. He submits that the petitioner has been indicted on the basis of the statement of co-accused-Nirmal Singh. During the inquiry before the registration of the FIR, said Nirmal Singh is declared innocent and petitioner apprehends his arrest in the said FIR.*

*Notice of motion for 16.04.2020.*

*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 SI Satpal Singh does not dispute this fact that the petitioner has joined the investigation and 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 20.11.2019 is made absolute.

08.11.2021  
Jasmine Kaur

(MANOJ BAJAJ)  
JUDGE

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| Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes | No |
| Whether reportable        | Yes | No |