

204

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-51891-2019
Date of decision-04.08.2021

GURMEET SINGH @ MEETA

...Petitioner

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present: Mr. Sunny K. Singla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramandeep Singh Sandhu, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

Mr. B.S. Bali, Advocate
for the complainant.

MANOJ BAJAJ, J. (ORAL)

This petition has been filed by the petitioner under Section 438 Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.121 dated 25.11.2019 under Sections 323, 506, 34 Indian Penal Code, 1860 & under Section 3 SC & ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act 1989, registered at Police Station Sadar Phagwara, District Kapurthala. 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 06.12.2019, 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 for the petitioner contends

that the FIR was lodged belatedly and all the offences are bailable except the offence punishable under Section 3 of SC & ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989.

Notice of motion for 28.4.2020.

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.”

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 Baljinder 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 the above, the petition is allowed and the interim bail granted by this Court vide order dated 06.12.2019 is made absolute.

(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

04.08.2021

Vipin kumar

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