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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.17 of 2022 (O&M)
Decided on: 02.04.2022

Darshan Ram

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present : Mr. N.P. Chandel, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

The petitioner prays for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR
No.261 dated 2.12.2021, registered under Sections
379/420/465/467/468/471/473/120-B IPC at Police Station Samrala,
District Ludhiana.

The operative part of the order dated 05.01.2022, vide
which interim anticipatory bail has been granted to the petitioner, is
reproduced as under:-

*“...Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that
other than secret information allegedly received by the
police, there is no evidence at all against the petitioner as
regards the stealing of any vehicle whatsoever.*

Notice of motion.

*Mr. M.S.Nagra, learned AAG, Punjab, accepts
notice at the asking of the court.*

*He submits that there are various FIRs registered in
respect of stolen vehicles and as per information with the
police, the petitioner is the person who actually receives
the stolen vehicles and used to tamper with their*

registration, engine and chassis numbers and therefore he does not deserve to be admitted to bail.

Without making any comment at this stage on the contentions raised today before this court, yet looking at the fact that the only allegation against the petitioner is seemingly based on secret information, he is directed to join investigation within one week and upon him so joining if he is sought to be arrested, he shall be released on bail, on his furnishing adequate bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the arresting officer/Ilaqa Magistrate.

He shall also comply with all conditions stipulated in Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C.

If the investigating officer does not actually join the petitioner in investigation, he would appear before the learned Ilaqa Magistrate immediately, who would then summon the arresting officer and direct him to join him in investigation, in terms of the order of this court....”

Counsel for the petitioner has submitted that, in pursuance to the order dated 05.01.2022, the petitioner has appeared before the Investigating Officer and has joined the investigation.

Counsel for the State, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, has not disputed the aforesaid fact and submits that the petitioner is no more required for further investigation.

In view of the above, this petition is allowed and the interim bail granted to the petitioner vide order dated 05.01.2022 is made absolute subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

02.04.2022
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Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No