

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

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CRM-M-4-2022

Date of Decision: 25.07.2022

Ravinder Singh @ Ravi @ Bindu & another ...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab ...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. J.S.Snatwal, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Mr. Tanvir Joshi, AAG, Punjab,
assisted by ASI Sukhwinder Singh.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioners have approached this Court seeking grant of anticipatory bail in respect of a case registered vide FIR No.162 dated 3.8.2021, Police Station Samrala, District Ludhiana under Sections 379-B, 34 of Indian Penal Code, wherein offences under Sections 392, 473, 120-B of Indian Penal Code and Sections 25, 54, 59 of Arms Act were added later on.
2. At the time of issuance of notice of motion on 05.01.2022, the following order was passed:

“The petitioners seek grant of anticipatory bail in a case registered vide FIR No.162 dated 3.8.2021, Police Station Samrala, District Ludhiana under Sections 379-B, 34 of Indian Penal Code, wherein offences under Sections 392, 473, 120-B, 34 of Indian Penal Code and Sections 25, 54, 59 of Arms Act were added later on.

The FIR was lodged at the instance of Neeraj Kumar, wherein it is alleged that he is working as a Sales Officer in ‘Sairam Agri-Tech Private Limited Company’ and that his responsibility is to collect

payments from the dealers in the area allotted to him. It is alleged that on 3.8.2021 he had collected an amount of Rs.6.54 lakhs and was accompanied by his colleague Tarwinder Singh, who had collected an amount of Rs.4.10 lakhs and also his colleague Baljit Singh, who had collected an amount of Rs.6.30 lakhs. It is alleged that while they were travelling in a car, they were stopped by 3 unknown persons, who had obstructed their way with the help of their car and who by brandishing a pistol, took away the amount which they were carrying, which is around Rs.16.94 lakhs.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that subsequently when the complainant started nursing a suspicion against Tarwinder Singh and got his supplementary statement recorded, said Tarwinder Singh was arrested and during interrogation he disclosed the names of his accomplices as Rajinder Singh, Jatinder Sharma, Vijay Kumar, Sandeep Singh and Satpal Singh.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that it is further the case of prosecution that upon arrest of Jatinder Sharma, he further disclosed the name of petitioner No.1-Ravinder Singh @ Ravi @ Bindu as their associate in the crime. Learned counsel submits that an identically situated co-accused namely Rajvir Singh, who had also been named on the basis of disclosure statement of Jatinder Sharma, has already been granted anticipatory bail by this Court vide order dated 16.12.2021 (Annexure P-3).

Notice of motion for 10.5.2022.

Meanwhile, in the event of arrest, the petitioners be released on interim bail subject to their furnishing personal bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. However, the petitioners shall join investigation as and when called upon to do so and cooperate with the Arresting/Investigating Officer and shall abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

3. Learned State counsel upon instructions has informed that pursuant to interim directions issued by this Court, the petitioners have since joined investigation and are not required for any custodial interrogation and that they are not involved in any other case.

4. Having regard to the aforestated position, wherein the petitioners have joined investigation and are not required for custodial interrogation and are not stated to be involved in any other case, the petition is accepted and the interim directions issued by this Court vide order dated 05.01.2022 are hereby made absolute subject to the condition that the petitioners shall join investigation as and when called upon to do so and cooperate with the Investigating Officer and shall also abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

25.07.2022

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**(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE**Whether speaking/reasoned: **Yes/No**Whether reportable: **Yes/No**