

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

CRM-M-3231-2021
Date of Decision: 18.04.2022

GURMUKH SINGH

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present : Mr. Gurmeet Singh Saini, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. R.S. Sidhu, A.A.G., Punjab.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the present petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.330 dated 16.09.2020, registered under Sections 363, 366-A, 420, 120-B, 376, 323 of Indian Penal Code, 1860 and Section 6 of the POCSO Act at Police Station Sadar Fazilka, District Fazilka.

This Court vide order dated 25.01.2021 granted interim bail to the petitioner subject to the conditions laid down under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner has duly joined the investigation. Thereafter, vide DDR No.42 dated 22.02.2021, offences under Sections 376, 323 IPC and Section 6 of the POCSO Act were added. This Court extended the interim bail already granted for these added offences as well vide order dated 16.09.2021.

Learned State counsel has placed on record the status report by

way of an affidavit of Jora Singh, PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division, Fazilka, wherein, it has been submitted that after the completion of the investigation, the challan has already been presented against the accused. Though, there are other FIRs mentioned in which, the petitioner was involved, however, the status report has disclosed that the petitioner has joined the investigation. The investigation is complete and challan has already been presented.

In the facts and circumstances of the case, the matter needs to be dealt with by the trial Court

In view of the above, the interim orders dated 25.01.2021 and 16.09.2021 are made absolute.

Petition stands allowed.

18.04.2022
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(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No