

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

CRM-M-6381-2020 (O&M)

Date of decision: 14.01.2022

Gurlal Chahal

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present:- Mr. Ashok Giri, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Nitesh Singhi, Advocate
for the complainant.

(Through video conferencing)

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No. 0007 dated 10.01.2020 registered under Sections 406, 420 of the IPC and Section 24 of the Immigration Act, 1860 at Police Station City Rupnagar, District Rupnagar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner, in pursuance to the order dated 05.03.2020, has already appeared before the SHO/Investigating Officer and has joined the investigation.

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, has not disputed the factual position and submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is no more required for any further investigation.

It is relevant to mention that on 15.09.2021, the following order

was passed:

“...Learned counsel for the petitioner submit that the petitioner has lost his passport and in this regard he has registered a DDR with Police Station Karnal.

He further submit that the petitioner was holding a passport No. z5808323 issued by Passport Authority Delhi.

In view of the same, the Passport Authority Delhi is directed to make an endorsement on the record of the concerned passport that the same stands cancelled and as and when an application is received for issuance of the duplicate passport, the same will not be issued without the prior permission of this Court....”

In view of the above, the present petition is allowed and the interim bail granted to the petitioner, vide order dated 05.03.2020, is made absolute subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. with a further condition that the order dated 15.09.2021 will be duly complied with by the Passport Authority, concerned.

14.01.2022

Waseem Ansari

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No