

206 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-15032-2022

Date of Decision: 08.07.2022

GAURAV CHOPRA

... PETITIONER

VS.

STATE OF PUNJAB

.. RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIVEK PURI

Present : Mr. Kamaljeet Singh Mamrat, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Ishneet Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

VIVEK PURI, J.(ORAL)

On 08.04.2022, following order was passed:-

“Through instant petition, the petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in case bearing FIR No.71 dated 25.02.2022 under Section 306 IPC, registered at Police Station City Ferozepur, District Ferozepur.

Briefly, as per the allegations levelled in the FIR, the deceased was married with Karan and two children were born from the wedlock. About three years prior to the occurrence, the deceased developed friendship with the petitioner. The efforts were made to persuade them to refrain from such relationship. On 24.02.2022, the deceased had committed suicide. It has been alleged that the son of the deceased had disclosed to the grand mother i.e. the complainant that shortly prior to the occurrence, the deceased had received a telephonic call from the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that there is no detail with regard to any abetment of instigation on the part of the petitioner which might have prompted the deceased to commit suicide.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Hittan Nehra, Additional Advocate General, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State and seeks time to get instructions in the matter.

Adjourned to 08.07.2022.

In the meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join investigation and in the event of his arrest, he shall be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer/Arresting Officer subject to the conditions as envisaged under Section 438 (2) of Code of Criminal Procedure.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that in pursuance of interim directions issued by this Court, the petitioner has joined the investigation.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Roop Singh has stated that the petitioner has joined the investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required.

Keeping in view the entire circumstances, sufficient grounds are made out to extend the concession of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, order dated 08.04.2022, vide which the petitioner has been granted interim bail, is made absolute.

Petition is allowed.

08.07.2022
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(VIVEK PURI)
JUDGE

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