

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

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**CRM-M-21605-2021
Date of decision: 31.03.2022**

MANINDER SINGH

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present:- Mr. Akshay Rana, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. A.K. Khurana, DAG, Punjab.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

Instant petition has been filed under Section 438 Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 seeking anticipatory bail in case FIR No. 70 dated 16.05.2021 under Sections 324, 326 and 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station Sadar Batala, District Gurdaspur, Punjab.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that pursuant to the order dated 01.06.2021 as well as 14.02.2022, the petitioner has joined investigation and is no longer required for the purpose of investigation.

Ms. A.K. Khurana, DAG, Punjab on instruction from ASI Gurmukh confirms the fact that the petitioners have joined investigation and submits that recovery of Kirpan could not be effected from the petitioner as the petitioner claims to have thrown the same in the River Beas. She further submits that Section 201 IPC i.e. destruction of evidence has also been added to the FIR

In view of the above, no purpose would be served by

keeping the petition pending as by attracting Section 201 IPC, the police acknowledges the distruction of evidence. Hence, recovery of the same can even otherwise be not effected. No purpose would be served by keeping the instant petition pending.

In view of the said statement, the interim orders dated 01.06.201 as well as 14.02.2022 are made absolute.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

MARCH 31, 2022
Vishal sharma

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No