

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

CRM-M-23341 of 2021(O&M)

Date of Decision:- 24.05.2022

Amrik Singh

....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH

Present:- Ms. Shivya Sehgal, Advocate for
Mr. Vaibhav Sehgal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Samina Dhir, DAG, Punjab.

KARAMJIT SINGH, J.

Prayer is for grant for anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case having FIR No.07 dated 08.01.2021 registered under Sections 306, 120-B IPC, Police Station Jamalpur, District Ludhiana.

The FIR in the present case was registered on the complaint of one Manjit Singh who stated that after the death of his grandmother Mohinder Kaur, his father Surjit Singh started residing with his maternal uncle and aunt Jaswant Singh and Amarjit Kaur in village Thala, Tehsil Phillaur, District Jalandhar. As they had no child, they treated father of complainant as their own child. Jaswant Singh died on 5.7.2013. After death of Jaswant Singh, father of

complainant took the entire responsibility of looking after his maternal aunt Amarjit Kaur. During his life time, Jaswant Singh had given house measuring 188 sq. yards to father of complainant situated within abadi of village. Relatives of Amarjit Kaur forcibly took her to village Kutbewal (Ludhiana), where she died on 17.6.2020 under suspicious circumstances. There are also allegations that co-accused Poonam used to threaten that she would falsely implicate Surjit Singh in a rape case. All the accused persons took forcible possession of the aforesaid house of Surjit Singh situated in the village. Aforesaid Surjit Singh father of the complainant committed suicide on 7.1.2021 by hanging himself. There are allegations that petitioner and other accused persons named in the FIR compelled Surjit Singh to take such a drastic step.

The counsel for the petitioner apprised the Court that the petitioner has joined the investigation with the police on the basis of order of interim bail dated 27.07.2021 passed by coordinate Bench of this Court. The State counsel on instructions from ASI Sukhdev Singh has not disputed this fact and further stated the petitioner is not required by the police for any further investigation or custodial interrogation.

As has been stated by the State counsel, no suicide note was left behind by Surjit Singh. Nothing is to be recovered from the petitioner and he has already joined the investigation with the police.

In view of the above, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and order granting interim bail dated 27.07.2021 to the petitioner is hereby made absolute subject to the condition envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

24.05.2022
P. Chawla

(KARAMJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned / speaking? Yes / No

Whether reportable? Yes / No