

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

CRM-M-22195-2022

Date of Decision: September 15, 2022

Sukhdev Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present:- Mr. Harsh Goyal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Manipal Atwal, DAG, Punjab.

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J.(Oral)

Present petition has been filed under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No.0083, dated 01.05.2022, under Section 3(1)(r) of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 (Amendment 2015), registered at Police Station Lopoke, District Amritsar Rural.

This Court vide order dated 23.05.2022 directed that in the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim anticipatory bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting/ Investigating Officer subject to the conditions provided under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. The petitioner was directed to join investigation and co-operate with the Investigating Agency as and when required.

Today, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner has joined the investigation, pursuant to the order passed by this Court on 23.05.2022.

Learned State counsel, on instructions received from ASI Gurcharan Singh, states that the petitioner did in fact join the investigation on 11.09.2022.

Learned State counsel further submits that the petitioner is not required any more for custodial interrogation at this stage.

In view of the above and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, anticipatory bail petition filed by the petitioner is allowed and the order dated 23.05.2022 granting interim bail to the petitioner, is hereby made absolute, subject to compliance of conditions as specified under Section 438(2) Cr. P.C.

However, it is clarified that if the petitioner does not join the investigation as required by the Arresting/Investigating Officer, it is open to the State to file an application for cancellation of anticipatory bail granted to the petitioner by this order.

The present petition stands disposed of accordingly.

September 15, 2022
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(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

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