

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

(221)

CRM-M-22854-2022

Date of decision: - 29.09.2022

Satwant Singh alias Satta

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present:- Mr. Chandan Singh Rana, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

This is the first petition under Section 438 of Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.37 dated 29.03.2022, registered under Sections 420, 406 and 120-B IPC, at Police Station Sadar Jagraon, District Ludhiana Rural.

On 18.08.2022, this Court was pleased to pass the following order:-

“Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that in pursuance of the order dated 24.05.2022, he has got instructions that the petitioner is ready to pay an amount of Rs.50,000/- to the complainant without admitting his liability and he needs time to make the said payment and has further submitted that the petitioner is a handicapped person and is not in a position to pay any more money.

Learned State counsel has submitted that the petitioner has not joined investigation.

The petitioner is directed to join investigation on 19.09.2022 at 11:00 AM and is also directed to prepare a demand draft to the tune of Rs.50,000/- in the name of the complainant and hand over the same to the Investigating Officer and the Investigating Officer is directed to

hand over the said demand draft to the complainant.

Adjourned to 29.09.2022.

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JUDGE

August 18, 2022"

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that in pursuance of the above-said order, the petitioner has joined the investigation and a demand draft of Rs.50,000/- in the name of the complainant has also been handed over to the investigating officer.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Anwar Masih, has submitted that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for further investigation.

Keeping in view the abovesaid facts and circumstances more so, the facts which have been noticed in abovesaid order dated 18.08.2022 and also the fact that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for further custodial interrogation, the present petition is allowed and the interim order dated 18.08.2022 is ordered to be made absolute.

However, nothing stated above shall be construed as a final expression of opinion on the merits of the case and the trial would proceed independently of the observations made in the present case which are only for the purpose of adjudicating the present bail application.

September 29, 2022
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Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes/No
Yes/No