

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

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CRM-M-35785-2022

Date of Decision: 16.11.2022

Jagpreet Singh Hehar

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Monty Goyal, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, DAG, Punjab,
assisted by ASI Surjeet Singh.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has approached this Court seeking grant of anticipatory bail in respect of a case registered against him vide FIR No.8, dated 3.2.2021, Police Station Hathur, District Ludhiana, under Sections 336, 286 of Indian Penal Code and Sections 25 and 27 of Arms Act.
2. At the time of issuance of notice of motion on 16.08.2022, the following order was passed:

“The petitioner has approached this Court seeking grant of anticipatory bail in respect of a case registered vide FIR No.8, dated 3.2.2021, Police Station Hathur, District Ludhiana, under Sections 336, 286 of Indian Penal Code and Sections 25 and 27 of Arms Act.

The FIR was lodged pursuant to receipt of secret information to the effect that Raminderjit Singh @ Ravi, Swaran Singh, Puran Singh and some unidentified persons had fired with their respective weapons at a ‘Jago’ ceremony in respect of marriage of Harpreet Singh on 22.1.2021. It is further the case of prosecution that upon arrest of Raminderjit Singh @ Ravi, he disclosed that the petitioner was also accompanying them and had also fired alongwith other accused.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is nowhere named in the FIR and has subsequently been nominated as an accused on the basis of a disclosure statement, which cannot be said to have much evidentiary value particularly in the absence of any other connecting evidence.

Notice of motion for 16.11.2022.

Meanwhile, in the event of arrest, the petitioner be released on interim bail subject to his furnishing personal bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. However, the petitioner shall join investigation as and when called upon to do so and cooperate with the Arresting/Investigating Officer and shall abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

3. Learned State counsel upon instructions has informed that pursuant to interim directions issued by this Court, the petitioner has since joined investigation and is not required for any custodial interrogation. It has also been informed that the petitioner stands involved in one more case.
4. Having regard to the aforestated position, wherein the petitioner is stated to have joined investigation and is not required for any custodial interrogation, the petition is accepted and the interim directions issued by this Court vide order dated 16.08.2022 are hereby made absolute subject to the condition that the petitioner shall join investigation as and when called upon to do so and cooperate with the Investigating Officer and shall also abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

16.11.2022

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(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

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