

CRM-M-38516-2022
Date of Decision: 09.12.2022

KARAMJEET SINGH

VS.

STATE OF PUNJAB

... PETITIONER

.. RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIVEK PURI

Present : Mr. Lajpat Rai Sharma, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Amit Kumar Walia, Advocate, for the complainant.

VIVEK PURI, J.(ORAL)

On 29.08.2022, the following order was passed:-

“The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in the case bearing FIR No.129 dated 13.08.2022 under Sections 341/354 and 506 IPC registered at Police Station City-2, Malerkotla.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that primarily the allegations levelled against the petitioner are to the effect that he had been threatening to kidnap the complainant, who is aged about 17½ years. The family of the petitioner and the complainant are residing in neighbourhood. There were some disputes and initially same were amicably settled. However, the compromise could not be given final effect and the mother of the complainant had lodged FIR No. 76 dated 06.07.2021 under Sections 341/323/506/148 and 149 IPC registered at Police Station City-II, Malerkotla, wherein, the petitioner and his other family members are on bail. To aggravate the allegations, the present FIR has been lodged and there is no allegation with regard to outraging the modesty of the complainant levelled in the FIR.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

Mr. Amit Kumar Walia, Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of the complainant.

Adjourned to 12.10.2022.

In the meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join investigation and in the event of his arrest, he shall be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer/Arresting Officer subject to the conditions as envisaged under Section 438 (2) of Code of Criminal Procedure.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that in pursuance of interim directions issued by this Court, the petitioner has joined the investigation.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from SI Paramjit Singh, has not disputed the aforesaid factual aspect and further submits that custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required.

Keeping in view the entire circumstances, sufficient grounds are made out to extend the concession of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, order dated 29.08.2022, vide which the petitioner has been granted interim bail, is made absolute.

Petition is allowed.

09.12.2022
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(VIVEK PURI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether Reportable : Yes/No