

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

Sr. No. 210

CRM-M-42596-2021

Date of decision : 17.2.2022

MANJEET SINGH

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr. GS Sidhu, Advocate for
Mr.JS Gill, Advocate for the petitioner

Ms.Gunkirat Kaur, AAG, Punjab

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DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (ORAL)

Through the present petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in FIR No.0237, dated 16.08.2021, registered under Section 306 IPC at Police Station Sadar Mansa, District Mansa,

On 2.11.2021, this Court had passed the following order: -

“The matter has been taken up through video conferencing.

Affidavit filed on behalf of the State is ordered to be taken on record.

For arguments, adjourned to 17.02.2022.

Seeking ad-interim anticipatory bail, learned counsel for the petitioner inter-alia contends that the petitioner, who is a 67 years old man, has been falsely implicated in this case due to party faction in the village; in the initial statement made by the complainant it was alleged that the deceased committed suicide on being beaten and harassed by his wife – Karamjit Kaur; later on, as an afterthought it was alleged that the deceased committed suicide on account of his wife having illicit relations with Mandeep Singh and the petitioner; the alleged suicide note is unverified; even if the case of the

prosecution is taken as the gospel truth, though vehemently denied, the petitioner's having an affair with the wife of the deceased would not constitute abetment within the meaning of Section 107 IPC and that the petitioner is also ready and willing to join the investigation as and when called by the investigating agency.

After considering the afore submissions, it is directed that till the adjourned date, subject to the petitioner's joining investigation as and when called by the investigating agency as also abiding by the other conditions provided under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C, in the event of his arrest in FIR No.0237, dated 16.08.2021, registered under Section 306 IPC at Police Station Sadar Mansa, District Mansa, he shall be released on ad interim anticipatory bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer.

Before the adjourned date, the State shall also file a status report."

Learned State counsel submits that in pursuance to the afore quoted order the petitioner has joined the investigation; has cooperated with the investigating agency; investigation in this case is complete; report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. has been filed and that his custodial interrogation is not required.

In view of the above as also because similarly placed co-accused -Mandeep Singh has already been enlarged on regular bail through an order of this Court dated 15.2.2022 passed in CRM-M-49567-2021- Mandeep Singh vs. State of Punjab, the order of this Court dated 2.11.2021, granting ad interim anticipatory bail to the petitioner is ordered to be made absolute.

17.2.2022
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[DEEPAK SIBAL]
JUDGE

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