

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

CRM-M-40455-2022

Date of Decision: November 24, 2022

MANJIT KAUR@JATTI

....Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

....Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present: Mr. Ruhani Chadha, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. M.S. Atwal, AAG, Punjab.

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J.

Present petition has been filed under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No.84 dated 03.05.2022 under Sections 304 and 34 IPC, 1860 and Section 29 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substance Act 1985 added later on, registered at Police Station Sultanpur Lodhi, District Kapurthala.

This Court vide order dated 06.09.2022 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 06.09.2022.

Reply dated 16.11.2022 by way of an affidavit of PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub-Division Sultanpur Lodhi, District Kapurthala has been filed on behalf of respondent-State. Copy thereof has been furnished to the learned counsel for the petitioner. Learned State counsel, on instructions ASI Joginder Singh submits that the petitioner in fact did join the investigation on 18.09.2022 and 19.09.2022.

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

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submits that in case the Investigating Agency requires the petitioner to appear, he shall make himself available without any demur.

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 06.09.2022 granting interim bail to the petitioner, is hereby made absolute, subject to compliance of conditions as specified under Section 438(2) Cr. P.C., in the case of non-adherence thereof, the State shall be at liberty to seek cancellation of the bail granted by this order.

The present petition stands disposed of accordingly.

24.11.2022
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(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

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