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

CRM-M-43270-2022

Date of decision : 11.10.2022

Lachhman Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present: Mr. A.K. Garg, Advocate for
Mr. S.S. Grewal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Tarun Aggarwal, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the present petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No.203 dated 21.08.2022 registered under Sections 306, 506 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 at Police Station City Sri Muktsar Sahib, District Sri Muktsar Sahib.

On 19.09.2022, this Court had passed the following order:-

“Learned counsel for the petitioner inter alia contends that in the present case, there is no suicide note and even as per the allegations levelled in the FIR, it was the complainant and the deceased who had approached the petitioner in order to get information with respect to the whereabouts of daughter of the complainant namely, Rekha, who, as per the case of the complainant, had run away with a boy and as per the complainant, the petitioner would have

*known the same. It is further submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case as he mediated between the family of the complainant and family of the boy with whom the daughter of the complainant had run away with in order to get married and the complainant held a grudge against the present petitioner as the petitioner was not fully helping him get his daughter back and the daughter of the complainant who is a major, had filed a petition before this Court for protection of her life and liberty. It is contended that at any rate, offence under Section 306 of IPC is not prima facie made out even as per a reading of the FIR. Reliance has been placed upon a judgment passed by a Coordinate Bench of this Court in **State of Punjab Vs. Kamaljit Kaur @ Bholi and another** reported as **2008(2) RCR (Criminal) 562**.*

Notice of motion for 11.10.2022.

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

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that in pursuance of the abovesaid order dated 19.09.2022, the petitioner has joined the investigation.

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Gurmeet Singh, has submitted that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for any further custodial interrogation.

Keeping in view the abovesaid facts and circumstances moreso,

the facts which have been noticed in abovesaid order dated 19.09.2022 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 19.09.2022 is ordered to be made absolute.

However, nothing stated above shall be construed as an 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.

11.10.2022

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**(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:-

Yes/No

Whether reportable:-

Yes/No