

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

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CRM-M-42586-2020

Date of Decision : **July 18, 2022**

UMESH KUMAR PANDEY

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANR

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

Present : None for the petitioner.
 Mr. Davinder Bir Singh, DAG, Punjab.
 Mr. Karan Jund, Advocate for the complainant.

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI. J. (Oral)

The present petition is filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.57 dated 15.9.2018 under Sections 406, 420, 120-B of IPC, registered at Police Station Mullanpur, District SAS Nagar, Mohali.

It has been stated by the learned State counsel and counsel for the complainant that the process with regard to mediation and conciliation is also pending before the Mediation and Conciliation Centre of this Court and the same is pending for 15.2.2023.

However, the learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Raj Kumar has also stated that in pursuance to the order passed by this Court on 17.12.2020, the petitioner has already joined the investigation and he is fully co-operating with the investigation process and he is not required for custodial investigation.

In view of the aforesaid stand taken by the learned State counsel, the present petition is allowed and order dated 17.12.2020 is, hereby, made absolute.

(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE

July 18, 2022

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