

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

202 (4)

**CRM-M-50630-2021
Date of decision: 01.04.2022**

NEERAJ VERMA

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present:- Mr. Barjinder Singh, Advocate
Mr. Harjot Singh Mann, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. A.K. Khurana, DAG, Punjab.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

The petitioner has filed the instant petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No. 04 dated 08.01.2021 registered under Sections 341, 342, 323, 324 read with Section 34 of the IPC (Section 3 of the SC/ST Act, 1989 added subsequently) at Police Station City Batala, Police District Batala, District Gurdaspur (Annexure P-1).

Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that pursuant to the order dated 03.12.2021 passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined investigation and is no longer required for investigation of the case.

Learned State counsel on instruction from ASI Gurpreet Singh, corroborates the said averment and submits that the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required for the purpose of investigation.

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

Since the petitioner has joined the investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required, the present petition is allowed and the interim order dated 03.12.2021 is made absolute.

However, if required, the petitioner shall continue to join investigation as and when required to do so and shall abide by the terms and conditions, as laid down under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

APRIL 01, 2022

Vishal sharma

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