

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

**CRM-M-46558 of 2022  
Date of Decision:- 30.11.2022**

Bhupinder Singh

....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

....Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH**

Present:- Mr. Tejinder Pal Singh, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Ms. Kanica Sachdeva, AAG, Punjab.

**KARAMJIT SINGH, J.**

Present petition has been filed by the petitioner seeking grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No.0089 dated 14.09.2022 registered under Sections 4(1) and 21(1) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation and Development) Act at Police Station Rahon, District SBS Nagar.

The counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case and the petitioner was not found present at the spot by the police. The counsel for the petitioner further submits that the petitioner is ready to join the investigation with the police.

The present petition is resisted by the State counsel who on instructions from HC Sandeep Kumar apprised the Court that the petitioner is a habitual offender and is already convicted in three other cases relating to illegal mining of sand and even in the present case the petitioner is required by the police for proper investigation of the case.

I have considered the submissions made by counsel for the parties.

The petitioner has been named in the FIR, wherein it is alleged that the police seized one tractor-trolley laden with sand and it was found that the said vehicle was driven by the present petitioner, who escaped after leaving behind the loaded tractor-trolley at the spot, on seeing the police officials.

The petitioner has filed the present petition seeking grant of anticipatory bail. In view of the fact that the petitioner already stands convicted in three other cases of illegal mining of sand and thus, he being habitual offender, no ground is made out to grant concession of anticipatory bail to him.

In light of the above, the present petition is dismissed being devoid of merits.

**30.11.2022**

*P. Chawla*

**( KARAMJIT SINGH )  
JUDGE**

Whether reasoned / speaking?

Yes / No

Whether reportable?

Yes / No