

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

201

CRM-M-53686-2021
Decided on : 16.05.2022

Jasbir Singh

. . . Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

. . . Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

PRESENT: Mr. Ramnish Puri, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sarabjit S. Cheema, AAG, Punjab.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 309 dated 20.11.2021 under Sections 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 registered at Police Station Jandiala, Amritsar Rural, District Amritsar.

On 22.12.2021, a Coordinate Bench of this Court was pleased to issue notice of motion and had granted interim protection to the petitioner.

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

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that there

is no report of any handwriting analysis/expert of any government laboratory with respect to the alleged thumb impression of the petitioner on the wills in question. It is further submitted that the entire case is based on documentary evidence and thus, the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required. It is further submitted that the matter is also pending in the civil Court.

Keeping in view the abovesaid facts and circumstances moreso, the fact that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for further custodial interrogation and the entire case is based on documentary evidence and thus, the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required, the present petition is allowed and the interim order dated 22.12.2021 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.

(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE

16.05.2022

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Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes/No
Yes/No