

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

**CRM-M-54021-2022
Date of decision: 19.12.2022**

Gurpreet Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present:- Mr. G. S. Nahel, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Navneet Singh, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

The petitioner prays for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No. 161 dated 28.09.2019, registered under Sections 420, 120-B of the IPC and Section 24 of the Immigration Act at Police Station City Khanna, District Ludhiana.

The operative part of the order dated 21.11.2022, vide which the petitioner has been granted interim bail, is reproduced below:

“Learned counsel for the petitioner, at the very outset, relies upon order dated 14.09.2022 passed in CRM-M-42085-2022, vide which while granting interim protection to the petitioner therein, it is noticed that he is ready to pay back the amount of Rs. 12,50,000/- to victims Gurdeep Singh and Gurvir Singh. Learned counsel further relies upon order dated 11.10.2022, passed in the said, wherein it is noticed that an amount of Rs. 6,50,000/- stands paid to aforesaid victims.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that even the present petitioner is ready to explore the possibility of an amicable settlement with the complainants/victims and

in order to show his *bona fide*, he is ready to hand over a demand draft of Rs. 3,75,000/-, favouring the complainants/victims, to the Investigating Officer.

Notice of motion for 19.12.2022.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner, in pursuance to the order dated 21.11.2022, has already appeared before the SHO/Investigating Officer and has joined the investigation. It is further submitted that in terms of order dated 21.11.2022, a demand draft of Rs. 3,75,000/- has been handed over to the Investigating Officer and the petitioner has no objection if the same is handed over the complainant.

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, has not disputed the factual position and submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is no more required for any further investigation.

In view of the above, the petition is allowed and the interim bail granted to the petitioner, vide order dated 21.11.2022, is made absolute subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

19.12.2022

Waseem Ansari

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No