

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

CRM-M-8194 of 2023

Date of Decision: February 16, 2023

**Rano and another
Versus
State of Punjab**

**...Petitioners
...Respondent**

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present:- Mr. Sarbjit Singh, Advocate for the petitioners.

DEEPAK GUPTA, J.(Oral)

Both the petitioners pray for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.336 dated 28.12.2022 registered at Police Station Tanda, District Hoshiarpur under Sections 457/380 IPC.

Theft was committed in the house of Dr. Rajkumar Arora who had gone to see his son residing in Mohali on 14.12.2022. On 27.12.2022, elder son came to the house of complainant and noticed locks of the rooms to have been broken; articles in the rooms lying scattered and the Godrej Almirah and its safe lying in the room were broken. Complainant was informed on phone. He reached the spot and checked the CCTVs installed and saw that unknown persons had entered in the house on 25.12.2022 at about 10:00 o' clock and have stolen all the golden and silver ornaments apart from cash of ₹2,000/-. During investigation, co-accused Gauri son of Dharminder and Dharminder alias Babbu were arrested. They confessed their involvement in the theft and disclosed that they had handed over the gold and silver ornaments to the petitioners Rano and Akashdeep, who are also the family members of the co-accused. Petitioners earlier applied for anticipatory bail before the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Hoshiarpur who asked them to join

the investigation. Petitioners joined the investigation but did not get the recovery effected. Bail application was accordingly dismissed on 07.02.2023. Petitioners have now knocked the door of this Court seeking anticipatory bail.

It is contended by learned counsel that all the family members have been implicated and that the petitioners have already joined the investigation and nothing is to be recovered from them.

Considering the prosecution allegations, that despite the names of both the petitioners appearing in the disclosure statement of the co-accused, who are none else than their family members and despite the fact that they were allowed to join the investigation but failed to get the recovery of stolen articles effected from them, this Court does not find it to be a fit case to grant them anticipatory bail.

Dismissed.

February 16, 2023

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(DEEPAK GUPTA)
JUDGE

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