

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

1. CRM-M No.17923 of 2023

Yash Pal & another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

2. CRM-M No.20168 of 2023

Harish Kumar

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

3. CRM-M No.20704 of 2023

Gurpal Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

Date of decision: 30th October, 2023

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Nitesh Singhi and Mr. Shivraj Daumajra, Advocates
for the petitioners.

Mr. Mohit Kapoor, Addl. Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent/State.

Mr. Rohit Gupta, Advocate for
Mr. Amar Vivek Aggarwal, Advocate for the complainant.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioners, in all the three petitions detailed hereinabove,
are seeking the concession of bail under Section 438 Cr.P.C. in case FIR

No.21 dated 25.03.2023 for the offences under Sections 384, 120-B IPC registered at Police Station Bassi Pathana, District Fatehgarh Sahib.

2. While noticing the following submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioners in CRM-M No.17923 of 2023, this Court had granted the concession of interim bail to the petitioners and asked them to join investigation vide orders dated 20.04.2023, 24.04.2023 and 26.04.2023 respectively.

“Learned counsel inter alia contends that it was a matter of record that there was a civil case pending between the parties under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 and it was thus, evident that it was in the aforementioned background, in order to escape criminal liability, the complainant had planted the case in question, wherein he had alleged that the petitioners had extorted him to part with varied amounts of money as well as gold jewellery.”

3. Vide order dated 13.07.2023, on joint request of learned counsel for the parties, this Court had directed the parties to appear before the Mediation and Conciliation Centre, District Fatehgarh Sahib to explore the possibility of an amicable settlement.

4. As per the report received from the Mediation and Conciliation Centre, the matter stands amicably settled between the parties.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioners submit that in compliance of the separate orders dated 20.04.2023, 24.04.2023 and 26.04.2023, the

petitioners have joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency.

6. Learned State counsel, on instructions, does not dispute the factum of the petitioners having joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency. He, on further instructions submits that the petitioners are not required for further investigation much less for their custodial interrogation.

7. In the circumstances, the petitions are allowed and the interim orders dated 20.04.2023, 24.04.2023 and 26.04.2023 are made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

October 30, 2023

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