

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-27423-2022 (O&M)
Date of decision: 17.05.2023

Ravi Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : Mr. Ashir Gulati, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr. Manipal Singh Atwal, DAG Punjab

Mr. Aayush Gupta and Mr. Rishab Garg, Advocates
for the complainant

AMAN CHAUDHARY. J.

1. On 22.07.2022 and 11.04.2023, the following orders were passed:-

22.07.2022

“Through this petition, the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case bearing FIR No.117 dated 16.07.2021, registered at Police Station Dehlon, Ludhiana, under Sections 326, 324, 341, 506, 148 and 149 IPC.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is a case of version and cross-version and initially, Gursewak Singh, co-accused had got registered an FIR against the complainant party for causing injuries, and that it is yet to be ascertained by the trial Court on the basis of evidence as to which party was the aggressor one; that there is a delay of 02 days in lodging the present FIR against the petitioner; that the petitioner had allegedly caused injury on the shoulder of the complainant, with a kirpan and that co-accused Ranvir Singh, Buta Singh and Sukhjinder Singh, have already been granted anticipatory bail vide separate orders dated 26.05.2022 and 30.05.2022 passed by this Court.

Learned State counsel prays for some more time to file the status report.

On his request, adjourned to 10.11.2022.

In the meantime, no coercive action shall be taken against the petitioner.”

11.04.2023

“Learned counsel submits that the petitioner is ready and willing to join the investigation as and when required by the investigating agency.

Adjourned to 17.05.2023.

Meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation on or before 20.04.2023. In the event of arrest of the petitioner, he shall be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer, subject to compliance enshrined under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

However, it is clarified that if the petitioner does not join and cooperate with the Investigating Agency as required by the Arresting/Investigating Officer, this interim order shall be deemed to have been vacated.”

2. Learned counsel submits that in pursuance of the afore-mentioned order, the petitioner has not only joined investigation but also fully cooperated with the investigating agency. He further submits that in case the investigating agency requires the petitioner to appear, he shall make himself available without demur.

3. Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Satwinder Singh affirms the factum of joining the investigation by the petitioner and cooperating with the investigating agency. He also submits that at this stage, the petitioner is not required for further custodial interrogation.

4. In view of the above and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, anticipatory bail petition filed by the petitioner is allowed and the orders dated 22.07.2022 and 11.04.2023 granting interim bail to him, is hereby made absolute, subject to compliance of conditions as specified under Section 438(2) Cr. P.C

5. However, it is made clear that if the petitioner fails to join and

cooperate with the investigating agency as and when required, the State would be at liberty to move an application for cancellation of the present anticipatory bail granted to him.

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

May 17, 2023
M.Kamra

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