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

CRM-M-26713-2023

Date of decision : 15.09.2023

Aslam Ansari

..... Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PANKAJ JAIN

Present: Mr. Sumeet Goel, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Namit Khurana, Advocate and
Mr. Shivam Kaushik, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ashok Kumar Sehrawat, DAG, Haryana.

PANKAJ JAIN, J. (Oral)

1. While issuing notice of motion on 25.05.2023, the following order was passed:-

“1. Petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in case bearing FIR No. 97 dated 06.05.2023 under Sections 3, 7, 10 of the Essential Commodities Act, Sections 5, 6, 25, 28, 35 of Fertilizer (Control) Order and Sections 420, 409, 120-B, 34 of IPC, registered at Police Station Radaur, District Yamuna Nagar.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that 130 bags of urea have been recovered from the tractor/trolley being driven by Karam Singh. On the basis of the disclosure statements, Sandeep Kumar was nominated as an accused. Subsequently, on the basis of the disclosure statement of Sandeep Kumar, Sunil Kumar was nominated as an accused. 60 bags of urea being carried in a vehicle being driven by

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Sunil were recovered. Sunil is working as driver of Sumit Kumar. The petitioner is running a ply wood factory and had been purchasing technical grade urea against proper invoices. The petitioner has been sought to be nominated only on the basis of the disclosure statement of Sunil, co-accused who has stated that 60 bags of fertilizers were to be supplied to the petitioner.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. Ranvir Singh Arya, Addl. AG Haryana accepts notice on behalf of the State.

5. Adjourned to 15.09.2023.

6. Meanwhile, the petitioner shall join the investigation and would come present as and when called for and in the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be admitted to interim bail on his furnishing personal and surety bonds to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. The petitioner shall also abide by the conditions as specified under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

2. Today, learned State counsel, on instructions from SI Nar Singh, has stated that pursuant to the order dated 25.05.2023, the petitioner has joined investigation and is no longer required for custodial interrogation.

3. In view of above, the interim order dated 25.05.2023 passed by this Court is made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

4. This order should not be treated as "blanket" order. It will not be read granting petitioner indefinite protection from arrest. It shall be confined to the FIR mentioned *ibid* and will not operate in respect of any other incident that involves commission of an offence.

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5. This order does not in any manner limit or restrict the rights or duties of the police or investigating agency, to investigate into the charges against the petitioner.
6. The petitioner shall be deemed to be in custody for the purpose of Section 27 of the Evidence Act, 1872 in regard to a discovery of facts made in pursuance of information supplied by the petitioner in case the occasion arises.
7. It will be open to the police or the investigating agency to move this court for a direction under Section 439 (2) Cr.P.C. to arrest the accused, in the event of violation of any term, such as absconding, non-cooperating during investigation, evasion, intimidation or inducement to witnesses with a view to influence outcome of the investigation or trial.
8. Needless to say that anything observed herein shall not be construed to be an opinion on the merits of the case.
9. Disposed off accordingly.

(PANKAJ JAIN)
JUDGE

15.09.2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes
Whether Reportable :	No