

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.30216 of 2023

Date of decision: 21st August, 2023

Satnam Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Salil Dev S. Bali, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Subhash Godara, Addl. Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent/State.

Mr. Kuldeep Singh, Advocate for the complainant.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking the concession of anticipatory bail in FIR No.175 dated 22.08.2022 for the offences under Sections 323, 148, 149 IPC (Sections 308, 506 IPC added later on) registered at Police Station Sadar Fazilka, District Fazilka.

2. On 12.06.2023, this Court had granted the concession of interim bail to the petitioner and asked him to join investigation, in the light of following submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner in connected case bearing CRM-M No.27247 of 2023 which is annexed as Annexure P-7:

“Learned counsel, while drawing the attention of this Court to the allegations levelled in the FIR, which has been annexed as Annexure P-1, submits that it is clearly evident

therein that no specific injury much less the injury inviting the mischief of Section 308 IPC has been attributed to the petitioner. He submits that the injury on the head attracting the mischief of Section 308 IPC has been attributed to co-accused Satnam Singh and which too was added by the investigating officer after seven months of the occurrence in question.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of the order dated 12.06.2023, the petitioner has joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency.

4. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Rajwinder Singh, does not dispute the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency. He, on further instructions submits that the petitioner is not required for further investigation much less for his custodial interrogation.

5. In the circumstances, the petition is allowed and the interim order dated 12.06.2023 is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. Needless to say, in case the petitioner misuse the concession of bail granted to him, the State would be at liberty to seek cancellation of the bail granted to him.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

August 21, 2023

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Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No