

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

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CRM-M-35194-2023
Date of decision: 18.09.2023

Manjit Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : None for the petitioner

ASI Sukhwant Singh in person

AMAN CHAUDHARY. J.

1. On 21.04.2023, this Court had passed the following order:-

“1. Petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in case bearing FIR No. 24 dated 25.02.2022 under Sections 307, 336, 506, 148, 149 IPC and Section 25 of Arms Act, registered at Police Station Kamboj, District Amritsar (Rural).

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the present FIR is an offshoot of the matrimonial dispute between the petitioner and the complainant. The marriage of the petitioner was solemnized with the complainant in the year 2009. The matrimonial dispute has cropped up between the parties. As per the allegations in the present FIR, the petitioner along with his father had fired shots with an intention to kill the complainant but the gun shots hit the wall and the gate of the house. It has been submitted that at the earlier instance, the complainant had lodged an FIR bearing No. 15/2020 under Sections 498-A and 354 IPC, registered at Police Station Women, District Amritsar against the petitioner and the dispute was amicably settled in terms of the compromise, Annexure P-3. The petitioner had paid an amount of Rs. 11 Lakhs in pursuance of the compromise but thereafter the complainant has resiled from the compromise. Besides, another FIR bearing No. 154 dated 27.05.2021 under Sections 323, 324, 506 IPC has been registered against the petitioner at Police Station Kamboj, District Amritsar (Rural) and the petitioner is on bail

in that case. It is a case of no injury and moreover, the complainant has also instituted divorce proceedings against the petitioner. Efforts were also made for amicable settlement through mediation but the same could not fructify.

3. Adjourned to 18.09.2023.

4. 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.

5. Reply, if any, be filed in the meanwhile.”

2. ASI Sukhwant Singh submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation on 24.04.2023 and is cooperating with the investigating agency. He also submits that at this stage, the petitioner is not required for further custodial interrogation.

3. 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 order dated 21.04.2023 granting interim bail to him, is hereby made absolute, subject to compliance of conditions as specified under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

4. 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.

18.09.2023

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**(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No