

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH**205-2****CRM-M No.41680 of 2022****Date of Decision : 18.12.2023**

Krishan Gopal Vinayak and Others

....Petitioners

VERSUS

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ALKA SARIN

Present : Mr. Gautam Dutt, Advocate and
Mr. Rahul Bhargava, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Jashandeep Singh, AAG Punjab.

Mr. Lalit Singla, Advocate for the complainant.

ALKA SARIN, J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners in FIR No.59 dated 11.05.2022 under Sections 323, 342, 354-B, 506, 498-A and 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (Sections 406, 409, 420, 201 and 120-B IPC were added later on), registered at Police Station Division No.1, District Jalandhar City.

2. On 18.10.2022 the following order was passed :

“Petitioners are seeking anticipatory bail in the case bearing FIR No.59, dated 11.05.2022, under Sections 323, 342, 354-B, 506, 498-A, 34 of the Indian Penal Code (for short ‘IPC’) (Sections 406, 409, 420, 201, 120-B IPC added later on), registered at Police

Station Division No.1, District Jalandhar City.

Learned senior counsel for the petitioners contend that the petitioner nos.1 to 3 are the father-in-law, mother-in-law and sister-in-law, respectively, of the complainant. The husband of the complainant has also preferred a petition for anticipatory bail bearing CRM-M-45885-2022, wherein the matter has been referred to Mediation and Conciliation Centre and interim protection has also been granted.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

Mr. R.S. Bajaj, Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of the complainant.

To be heard along with CRM-M-45885-2022.

Meanwhile, it is directed that in the event of arrest, the petitioners be admitted on interim bail on furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer, subject to the condition that they join the investigation and comply with other conditions as specified under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners states that the petitioners have since joined the investigation and fully cooperated.

4. Learned counsel for the State on instructions from ASI Kewal Krishan has stated that the petitioners have since joined investigation and

fully cooperated and that they are no longer required for further custodial interrogation as of now.

5. In view of the above, the order dated 18.10.2022 is made absolute. The petitioners shall, however, join investigation as and when called. The petitioners shall also abide by all the terms and conditions as specified under Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973.

6. Disposed off accordingly. Pending applications, if any, also stand disposed off.

18.12.2023
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(ALKA SARIN)
JUDGE

NOTE: Whether speaking/non-speaking: Speaking
Whether reportable: YES/NO