

**205/3 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M-42444-2023

Date of Decision: 12.10.2023

SATNAM SINGH

... PETITIONER

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB

... RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIVEK PURI

Present: Mr. Vipul Aggarwal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, DAG Punjab.

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VIVEK PURI, J. (ORAL)

1. On 28.08.2023, following order was passed:

“1. Petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in case bearing FIR No.37 dated 24.06.2023 under Sections 354 and 34 IPC registered at Police Station Bhindi Saidan, District Amritsar Rural.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that as per the allegations, the petitioner along with the co-accused had outraged the modesty of the complainant. In fact, it is a case of version and cross-version. The mother of the petitioner had submitted a complaint, Annexure P-4 to the Officer-in-charge Police Station Bhindi Saidan against the husband of the complainant and others. Furthermore, the father of the complainant has been arraigned as an accused in a murder case of the family member of the petitioner and the trial is still pending. The co-accused namely Gurmeet Singh and Gurpreet Singh have been granted concession of interim bail.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, DAG Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State.

5. Adjourned to 12.10.2023.

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.

7. To be heard with CRM-M-39406-2023.”

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that in pursuance of the interim directions, the petitioner has joined the investigation.

3. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Ranjit Singh, has submitted that the petitioner has joined the investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required.

4. Considering above, the petition is allowed and the interim bail granted by this Court vide order dated 28.08.2023 is made absolute.

12.10.2023

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(VIVEK PURI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No