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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(124)

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Date of decision:- 04.09.2023

Manpreet Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL

Present:- Mr. Balbir Singh Jaswal, Advocate for the petitioner.

SUVIR SEHGAL, J. (Oral)

1. By way of present petition filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, petitioner has approached this Court seeking quashing of impugned order dated 09.01.2023, Annexure P-8, whereby his bail was cancelled, bail/surety bonds were forfeited to the State and Non-bailable Warrants were issued for his arrest in case FIR No.28 dated 25.03.2020, lodged for offence under Section 188, IPC at Police Station Tarsikka, District Amritsar (Rural), Annexure P-1.

2. Counsel for the petitioner submits that FIR, Annexure P-1, has been registered against the petitioner on the allegation that he had violated the restrictions imposed during the out break of Covid pandemic. Counsel submits that the petitioner was released on bail and was appearing regularly before the Trial Court. However, as he was indisposed, he could not appear before the Court when the impugned order, Annexure P-8, was passed. Counsel submits that soon thereafter, he filed a petition seeking grant of anticipatory bail, which was declined by the learned Additional Sessions

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Judge, Amritsar by order dated 14.08.2023, Annexure P-13. Counsel submits that the petitioner is prepared to appear before the Trial Court and join the proceedings subject to any reasonable condition imposed by this Court.

3. Notice of motion.
4. On asking of the Court, Mr. Arun Luthra, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State-respondent. Upon instructions received from ASI, Bakshish Singh, he submits that the petitioner has been defaulting in appearance on a number of occasions.
5. Having heard counsel for the parties and noticing the nature of allegations levelled, this Court is of the view that the petitioner deserves to be granted one opportunity to appear before the Trial Court and join the proceedings. Accordingly, it is ordered that in case the petitioner surrenders before the Trial Court on or before 06.10.2023, the next date before the Trial Court and moves an appropriate application, he shall be released on bail on furnishing fresh bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Court concerned. This will be the subject to deposit of Rs.10,000/-, as cost, with the Poor Patient Welfare Fund, PGIMER, Sector-12, Chandigarh. The receipt for the deposit shall be furnished by the petitioner to the Trial Court and shall be a condition precedent to his release on bail.
6. Petition is disposed of.

04.09.2023

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(SUVIR SEHGAL)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No