

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

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CRM-M-47513-2022
Date of decision : 22.02.2023

Kamal Preet Malhotra

Petitioner

V/S

State of Punjab

Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK KUMAR VERMA

Present: Mr. Gautam Kaile, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Jaspal Singh Guru, Asstt. A.G., Punjab
for the respondent-State.

ASHOK KUMAR VERMA, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.85 dated 09.08.2022 registered under Section 420 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 at Police Station Urban Estate, Patiala.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Lakhwinder Singh, submits that in pursuance of order dated 17.10.2022 passed by the Coordinate Bench of this Court, the petitioner has joined the investigation and is no longer required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the above facts, but without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 17.10.2022 granting interim anticipatory bail to the petitioner is made absolute, subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C.

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**(ASHOK KUMAR VERMA)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No