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

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**CRM M-51998 of 2023 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 06.11.2023**

Manjinder Singh

...Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE N.S.SHEKHAWAT

Present : Ms. Nisha Rana, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Mohit Chaudhary, AAG, Punjab.

N.S.SHEKHAWAT, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 438 of the Cr.P.C. with a prayer to grant pre-arrest bail to him in case FIR No.31 dated 12.03.2023 registered under Sections 307, 506, 148, 149, 420, 465, 467 and 471 IPC and Sections 25, 27, 54 and 59 of Arms Act, at Police Station Sadar, Tarn Taran, Punjab.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner that there is delay of 03 days in registration of the FIR, which was utilized by the complainant in coining a false version against him. She further contends that in fact there was a financial dispute between the parties

and due to this, the petitioner has been falsely involved in the present case. Learned counsel further contends that in the present case, the offence under Section 307 IPC has been added wrongly by the police as no one was injured and it was simply alleged that the firing was done at the car only. She further contends that similarly placed co-accused Kuldeep Singh has already been granted the concession of anticipatory bail vide order dated 21.09.2023 in CRM M-36367 of 2023 by this Court.

3. On the other hand, a status report has been filed by way of an affidavit of the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Khadur Sahib, Camp at Goindwal Sahib, District Tarn Taran and the same is taken on record.

4. Learned State counsel submits that there are serious allegations against the present petitioner and he alongwith other co-accused had fired at the car of the complainant due to some financial dispute between the parties.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.

6. Without commenting any further on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed. The petitioner is granted concession of anticipatory bail, subject to the conditions as provided under Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C. It will be open for the Investigating Officer to call the petitioner to join investigation, if so

required, by issuing a written notice in this regard and he shall abide

by the conditions mentioned in Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C.

06.11.2023	(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)
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Whether reasoned/speaking	: Yes/No
Whether reportable	: Yes/No