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4. Learned State counsel, on instructions from HC Mool Chand, intimates that the petitioner had joined the investigation in the case and is no more required for any custodial investigation in this case nor he is required for further investigation.

5. During the course of hearing on 20.01.2024, following order was passed:

“It is, inter alia, contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case due to party faction in the village. He further contends that the petitioner is not involved in the alleged occurrence and it is debatable as to how the complainant became aware of the names of the accused mentioned in the FIR and why no steps were taken by the complainant to stop them.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further contends that earlier also similar FIRs were filed against the persons including the petitioner but the petitioner is on bail in those cases.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Ms. Gaganpreet Kaur, DAG, Haryana, present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the State-respondent and prays for time to file the status report/reply in the matter.

Adjourned to 12.02.2024.

Needful be done well before the date fixed with an advance copy to the counsel opposite.

In the meanwhile, the petitioner is hereby directed to join investigation within seven days from today and in the event of his arrest, he is ordered to be released on interim bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. He

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shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

6. Keeping in view the respective submissions made by learned State counsel and considering the fact that the petitioner had already joined the investigation and is no more required for further investigation nor he is required for any custodial interrogation, interim bail granted vide order dated 20.01.2024 is hereby confirmed. Further, the petitioner is directed to join investigation as and when required in future by way of written notice for such purpose to be served by Investigating Officer of this case upon the petitioner; he will not tamper with the evidence nor will influence the witnesses and will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court.

7. The petition stands allowed.

8. It is made clear that anything contained hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

12.02.2024

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i)	Whether speaking/reasoned?	Yes/No
ii)	Whether reportable?	Yes/No