

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-6686-2024  
Date of Decision:19.03.2024

BALJEET SINGH .....Petitioner

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB .....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present:- Mr. Jagjit Singh Gill, Advocate with  
Mr. Amritpal Singh, Advocate  
for the petitioner.  
  
Mr. Sahil R. Bakshi, AAG, Punjab.

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DEEPAK GUPTA, J.(ORAL)

On 08.02.2024, following order was passed:

*“Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail under Section 438 Cr.P.C in case FIR No.184 dated 16.10.2023 registered under Sections 307, 323, 34 of the IPC (Section 120-B of the IPC added later on) registered at Police Station City Fazilka, District Fazilka.*

*As per allegations, in an incident which took place on 15.10.2023, three unknown persons on a motorcycle chased complainant Ajay Kumar and hit his scooter. It is further alleged that they inflicted kapa blows to Hasmukh @ Kali. The said injured identified co-accused Mohit Bathla, Akash Brar and Manjot Singh @ Bitta.*

*Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the only attribution to the petitioner is that during interrogation the co-accused nominated the petitioner to be the part of conspiracy as it has been*

*alleged that it is at the behest of the petitioner that attack was made on Hasmukh @ Kali.*

*Learned counsel further contends that brother of the petitioner Paramjeet Singh who was also nominated in the disclosure statement has since been allowed the benefit of pre-arrest bail by the Trial Court vide order dated 23.01.2024 (Annexure P-3). It is also pointed out that another co-accused Manjot Singh @ Bitta has also been granted the benefit of interim anticipatory bail by this Court vide order dated 02.02.2024 passed in CRM-M-5462-2024 (Annexure P-4).*

*Notice of motion.*

*Mr. Anmol Singh Sandhu, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondent- State.*

*Adjourned to 19.03.2024.*

*In the meantime, in case of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim bail subject to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. However, it is directed that the petitioner shall join the investigation as and when so required by the Investigating Officer. He shall not contact any person associated with the case to dissuade him from the investigation in any manner whatsoever and nor shall leave the country without prior permission of the Court. He shall further comply with the conditions stipulated in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. ”*

Today learned State counsel, on instructions submits that petitioner has since joined the investigation and is not required for custodial interrogation.

Having regard to the aforesaid facts and circumstances, but without commenting anything further on the merits of the case order dated 08.02.2024 is hereby made absolute, whereby petitioner was granted interim anticipatory bail.

However, the petitioner shall continue to join the investigation as and when called upon to do so by the Investigating Agency and shall abide by the conditions of Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

19.03.2024

( DEEPAK GUPTA )  
JUDGE

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|     | Whether Reportable        | Yes/No |