

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.14547 of 2021

Date of decision: 4th March, 2024

Karandeep Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Gursimranjit Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Rana, Sr. Dy. Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent/State.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking the concession of bail under Section 438 Cr.P.C. in case DDR No.26 dated 28.12.2020 (Annexure P-2) under Sections 307, 323, 324, 506, 148, 149 of the IPC and sections 25, 27, 54 of the Arms Act, 1959 being a cross-case in FIR No.0174 dated 27.12.2020 under Sections 307, 506, 148, 149 of the IPC and Sections 25, 27 of the Arms Act, 1959 registered at Police Station Division C, Police Commissionerate Amritsar.

2. On 20.04.2021, while noticing the following submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner, a Coordinate Bench of this Court had granted the concession of interim bail to the petitioner and asked him to join investigation.

“Counsel for the petitioner submits that it is a case of version and cross-version. Cross-version has been lodged by Bimalpreet Singh @ Cheema, who is the accused in the

FIR. He has stated that the dispute between the parties has been settled by virtue of compromise dated 04.01.2021, Annexure P-3, and petitions (CRM-M-4546-2021 and CRM-M 4669-2021) for quashing of FIR and cross-version have been filed before this Court on the basis of compromise in which notice of motion have been issued by this Court on 04.03.2021.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of the order dated 20.04.2021, the petitioner has joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency.

4. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Harjeet Singh, does not dispute the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency. He, on further instructions submits that the petitioner is not required for further investigation much less for his custodial interrogation.

5. In the circumstances, the petition is allowed and the interim order dated 20.04.2021 is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. Needless to say, in case the petitioner misuses the concession of bail granted to him, the State would be at liberty to seek cancellation of the bail granted to him.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

March 4, 2024
rps

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No