



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-15290-2024

Date of Decision: 16.05.2024

JAGMAIL SINGH

.....Petitioner

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present:- Mr. J.K. Singla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sahil R. Bakshi, AAG, Punjab
assisted by HC Jivan Singh.

DEEPAK GUPTA, J.(ORAL)

Status report dated 15.05.2024 by way of affidavit of Shri Manjit Singh, PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Budhlada, District Mansa has been filed on behalf of the respondent-State and the same is taken on record.

On 22.03.2024, following order was passed:

“Prayer in this petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. is for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.25 dated 24.02.2024, under Section 379 IPC (Act No.45 of 1860) (Sections 457, 380, 411 IPC added and Section 379 IPC deleted later on vide DDR No.12 dated 25.02.2024), registered at Police Station Bareta, District Mansa.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the FIR was lodged against co-accused Dilpreet Singh @ Deepu and Daljit Singh, who had committed theft of certain articles from the Govt. Primary School, Akbarpur Khudal. The articles were LEDs, printer, computer key board etc. Petitioner was not named in the FIR. It is only on the basis of the disclosure statement of co-accused Dilpreet Singh @ Deepu that petitioner has been nominated. Learned counsel contends further that petitioner is not involved in any other case; that recovery is effected from co-accused and that petitioner is ready to join the investigation.



Notice of motion.

Mr. Sahil R. Bakshi, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State. A copy of paper book be supplied to him during the course of day.

Adjourned to 16.05.2024 for filing status report.

In the meantime, petitioner is directed to join investigation and co-operate in the same. He will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court nor shall make any attempt to contact the complainant of the case or any witness associated with the case. In the event of the arrest of the petitioner, he shall be released on interim bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. He shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C ”

Today learned State counsel, on instructions from HC Jivan Singh 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 22.03.2024 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.

Disposed of.

16.05.2024

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**(DEEPAK GUPTA)
JUDGE**

Whether Speaking/reasoned Yes/No
Whether Reportable Yes/No