

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

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CRM M-18553 of 2024
Date of Decision:18.04.2024

Jaspreet Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

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

Present : Mr. Arun Takhi, Advocate, for the petitioner.

N.S.SHEKHAWAT, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has filed the instant petition under Section 438 of the Cr.P.C. with a prayer to grant anticipatory bail in case FIR No.234 dated 22.08.2023 registered under Sections 308, 323, 506, 148 and 149 IPC (Section 302 IPC added later on) at Police Station Tanda, District Hoshiarpur.

2. In the present case, the Registry has reported that the petitioner has concealed the factum of filing of the first petition for grant of anticipatory bail, i.e., CRM M-51529 of 2023, which was dismissed by this Court on 20.10.2023 and the present petition is the second petition for grant of anticipatory bail. In fact, it amounts to a serious concealment on the part of the present petitioner and cannot be taken lightly. Even otherwise, I have examined the present petition on merits. In the present case, as per the case of the prosecution 7/8 persons including accused Ranjodh Singh @ Jodha, who was armed

with a *Khanda* had caused injuries to Akash. Ranjodh Singh had given a *Khanda* blow in the middle of his head with an intention to kill him. Another unidentified assailant gave stick blow on his right thigh. During the course of investigation, Ranjodh Singh had disclosed the names of his co-accused, which included the present petitioner. Apart from that, on 23.08.2023, a supplementary statement of the complainant was also recorded and he had also named the present petitioner as one of the assailants.

3. Thus, keeping in view the gravity of the offence and the nature of the allegations levelled against the present petitioner and also the fact that the petitioner has concealed the filing of the earlier anticipatory petition, the present petition deserves to be dismissed with costs of Rs. 10,000/-, which shall be deposited by the petitioner in the Punjab and Haryana High Court Bar Clerks' Association within a period of two weeks from today. Dismissed.

18.04.2024
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(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

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