



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

208 CRM-M-18915-2024(O&M)
Date of Decision: 13.08.2024

JAGINDER SINGHPetitioner
VERSUS
STATE OF PUNJABRespondent

CORAM : HON’BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present : Mr. B.S. Bhalla, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Amandeep Singh Samra, AAG, Punjab.

MANISHA BATRA, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 438 of Cr.P.C.
seeking anticipatory bail in FIR mentioned below:-

FIR No.	Dated	Police Station	Sections
19	02.02.2024	P.S. City South, District Moga	15, 61, 85 (later on added Section 29) of NDPS Act, 1985 (later on added Section 419 of IPC)

2. Vide order dated 24.04.2024 passed by this Court, the petitioner was released on interim bail and was directed to join investigation. Order dated 24.04.2024 is reproduced as under:-

“Prayer is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in criminal case having FIR No.19 dated 02.02.2024 registered under Sections 15, 61, 85 of NDPS Act (Section 29 of NDPS Act and Section 419 of IPC added later on) at Police Station City South, District Moga.

Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated along with one Harjit Singh in the present case at the instance of his rival Agya Pal Singh, who at the relevant time tried to take over management of Truck Union Moga in an illegal manner but failed to do so and thereafter colluded with the police and succeeded in falsely implicating the petitioner and Harjit Singh in the present case.

Counsel for the petitioner further submits that similarly situated co-accused Harjit Singh is already granted interim bail vide order dated 19.03.2024 (Annexure P-1). Counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is ready to join investigation with the police.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Jasjeet Singh Dhaliwal, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State and has not disputed the fact that co-accused Harjit Singh is granted interim bail vide order dated 19.03.2024(Annexure P-1).

Now be listed on 16.05.2024.

In light of the above, in case of arrest, the petitioner is directed to be released on interim bail by the IO/Arresting Officer to his own satisfaction till the next date of hearing. The petitioner should join the investigation with the police well in time before the next date of hearing and is to abide by the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) of Cr.P.C.”

3. Learned State counsel has not filed status report. He further, on instructions states that the petitioner has joined the investigation. No recovery is to be effected from the petitioner. His custodial interrogation is not required. No useful purpose would be served by detaining him in custody. In view of the said facts but without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 24.04.2024 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute, subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

13.08.2024

Deepak Patwal

**(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE**

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| 1. Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| 2. Whether reportable | Yes/No |