



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM -M-20936-2024

Date of Decision : **July 30, 2024**

SURINDER SINGH

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present : Mr. Gurinder Singh Hayer, Advocate for the petitioner
(through **Video Conference**).
Mr. Sahil R. Bakshi, AAG, Punjab.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J. (Oral)

1. On 29.4.2024, the following order was passed:-

“Through the instant petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C., prayer is made for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.0007 dated 25.1.2024 under Sections 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 IPC (wrongly mentioned as Section 469 IPC, in the impugned order dated 18.3.2024), registered at Police Station City Fazilka.

The instant FIR was registered on the complaint made by Reader of the trial Court, addressed to the SHO concerned. alleging therein, that an application for release of car was filed in FIR No. 09 dated 15.3.2023, under Section 21-C of NDPS Act, Police Station SSOC, Fazilka by owner Gurvinder Singh, who is an accused in the said FIR in question, in which the report made by the Halqua Patwari for confirmation of collector rate regarding valuation of property, was found to be forged, which was required for furnishing of Sapurdari bonds for release of vehicle.



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Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that except the disclosure statement of the co-accused, there is nothing on record to connect the present petitioner with the involved crime.

Notice of motion for 20.5.2024.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Pardeep Bajaj, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the State of Punjab.

In the meanwhile, in the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim bail subject to his furnishing personal and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting/Investigating Officer. The petitioner shall, however, join the investigation as and when called for and shall also abide by the conditions specified under Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C.”

2. Today, the learned State counsel on instructions imparted to him by ASI Rajinder Kumar, submits that the petitioner has already joined the investigation and he is fully co-operating with the investigation process and he is not required for any further custodial interrogation.

3. In view of the specific stand taken by the learned State counsel, the present petition is **allowed** and order dated 29.4.2024 is, hereby, made absolute subject to the condition that the petitioner shall abide by the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

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(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned. : Yes/No
Whether Reportable. : Yes/No