



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-22278-2024

Date of decision: 22.08.2024

Suraj Bhatti

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Hardial Singh Batth, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Navdeep Singh, DAG, Punjab.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking the concession of anticipatory bail under Section 438 of the Cr.P.C. in case FIR No.52 dated 19.03.2024 under Sections 353/186 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station City Rupnagar, District Rupnagar.

2. On 06.05.2024, while noticing the following submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court had issued notice of motion:-

“Learned counsel inter alia contends that a false and fabricated case has been planted upon the petitioner pursuant to an alleged secret information received. It has been asserted by the learned counsel that no doubt previously the petitioner had been involved in some other cases of identical nature, however, it is a matter of record that he stands acquitted in all of them.”

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3. Thereafter, vide order dated 14.05.2024, the petitioner had been granted the concession of interim bail and asked to join investigation.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of order dated 14.05.2024, the petitioner has joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency.

4. Learned State counsel, on instructions from Inspector Pawan Kumar, 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 view of the above, the petition is allowed and interim order dated 14.05.2024, is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 482(2) of the BNSS/438(2) of the Cr.P.C.

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**(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE**

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