



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

CRM-M-26544-2024

DECIDED ON: 24.05.2024

GURPREET SINGH

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL

Present: Mr. Sangram Singh Saron, Advocate
for the petitioner.

SANDEEP MOUDGIL, J (ORAL)

The jurisdiction of this Court has been invoked under Section 438 Cr.P.C., for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No.0147, dated 02.06.2023 (Annexure P-6), initially registered at Police Station Model Town, Hoshiarpur, under Sections 420, 120-B IPC in which offence under Sections 465, 468, 471 IPC have been added later on.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that on the same set of allegations, another co-accused Harcharan Singh, who is father of the present petitioner has already been granted the concession of anticipatory bail under Sections 465, 468, 471 along with Sections 420, 120-B IPC which were added later on vide DDR No.15 dated 11.04.2024, vide order dated 15.05.2024. He further refers to the order dated 15.05.2024 and submits that the petitioner is at parity with co-accused Harcharan Singh, who is his father and both of them are entangled in the instant criminal case with the identical facts as narrated in the FIR.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Rajiv Verma, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State and on instructions from ASI Ashok Kumar could not controvert the fact that the present petitioner is at parity with the other co-accused Harcharan Singh.

In the light of above, for the sake of brevity instead of going to the details of the facts and allegations qua the present petitioner again to be recorded hereinbelow, the petitioner is directed to be released on anticipatory bail subject to his joining investigation with the Investigating Officer concerned within a period of one week from today, on furnishing of personal/surety bonds to his satisfaction. The petitioner shall also abide by the terms and conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) of Cr.P.C.

However, it is made clear that in case the petitioner does not comply with the aforesaid direction of joining the investigation within one week, the order passed by this Court today shall automatically stands cancelled.

The petition in the aforesaid terms stands disposed off.

24.05.2024

Poonam Negi

(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)

JUDGE

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