



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M No.26529 of 2024
Date of Decision : 23.5.2024

Gaurav SodhiPetitioner
Versus
State of PunjabRespondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL

Present: Mr. Sajal Bansal, Advocate, for the petitioner

SANDEEP MOUDGIL, J (ORAL)

1. 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.83, dated 31.3.2024, under Sections 452, 323, 341, 427, 506, 148 and 149 of IPC, 1860 (Sections 308 and 458 IPC added and Section 452 IPC deleted later on) registered at Police Station Mataur, District SAS Nagar.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is innocent and he has no concern with the present FIR as he has not committed any alleged offence. He is implicated merely on the basis of statement of co-accused Simranjit Singh Moreover, the main accused Ketan Sharma, who has already been granted the concession of anticipatory bail by this Court vide order dated 23.4.2024, passed in CRM-M No.20045 of 2024. He further submits that the present case is a case of version and cross-version whereby one DDR No.30 dated 31.3.2024 has been registered against the complainant and his son, as they have also caused injuries on the head of the accused/petitioner.



- 3. Notice of motion.
- 4. On the asking of Court, Mr. Rajiv Verma, DAG Punjab, who is present in Court accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State.
- 5. In the light of above, the present petition is allowed with a direction to the petitioner to join the investigation within one week, subject to his furnishing personal/security bonds to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. 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 the Court shall automatically stands cancelled.
- 6. The petition in the aforesaid terms disposed of.

(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)
JUDGE

23.5.2024
Ashwani

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