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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Date of Decision: 01.08.2024

RAJINDER SINGH

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present: Mr. Mansur Ali, Advocate for the petitioner.
Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

MANISHA BATRA, J. (ORAL)

1. Through the instant petition under Section 438 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR No. 40 dated 30.05.2024 registered under Sections 21(1), 4(1) of Mines and minerals (Regulation of Development) Act, 1957 at Police Station Kiratpur Sahib, District Rupnagar.
2. Vide order dated 03.07.2024 passed by this Court, the petitioner was released on interim bail and was directed to join investigation.

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3. Learned State counsel filed status report dated 29.07.2024. The same is taken on record. She further, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, states that the petitioner has joined the investigation on 12.07.2024 and he is not required for custodial interrogation. It is also submitted by learned State counsel that during the course of investigation, offence under Section 201 IPC has been added and the petitioner has joined investigation qua that offence also

4. At this stage, on oral request of learned counsel for the petitioner, the offence under Section 201 IPC is ordered to be added in the head-note as well as prayer note of the petition. Registry is directed to carry out the necessary correction accordingly.

5. In view of the said facts, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 03.07.2024 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.

01.08.2024

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(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned *Yes/No*

Whether reportable *Yes/No*