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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-33976-2024
Date of decision: 31.07.2024

RAVINDER SINGH ALIAS HARMANDEEP SINGH
....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB
....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present:- Mr. Amaninder Singh Sekhon, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Adesh Pal Singh, AAG, Punjab.
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SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

By way of present petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C, the
petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR (Annexure P-1) as under: -

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
72	03.06.2024	365, 323, 506 and 149 IPC	Sadar, Faridkot, District Faridkot

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance to the order dated 18.07.2024, the petitioner has joined the investigation.
3. During the course of hearing on 18.07.2024, following order had been passed: -

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, contends that the petitioner is innocent person aged about 20 years having no criminal antecedents and has been falsely implicated in this case as a result of afterthought and consultations on the part of the complainant. He



further contends that there is unexplained delay of 6 days in lodging of the FIR from the date of alleged occurrence and even the complainant got himself admitted in the hospital after two days of alleged occurrence. He submits that although the Investigating Officer visited the complainant twice for getting the statement recorded but he had postponed the same on the pretext of getting his statement recorded in presence of his father which eventually was recorded after 6 days of occurrence which smells of fabrication of the false case against the petitioner. He contends that similarly situated co-accused Jashandeep Singh and Mandeep Singh have since been granted concession of bail vide CRM-M-30439-2024 and CRM-M-31708-2024 (Annexure P-3 and Annexure P-4) respectively. He submits that the petitioner is ready to join the investigation.

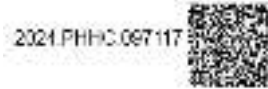
3. *Notice of motion.*

4. *On the asking of the Court, Mr. Ankit Grewal, DAG, Punjab, present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the State-respondent and on instructions from ASI Sikander Singh, P.S. Sadar, Faridkot, has not disputed the factual matrix and also the fact that the case of the petitioner is at par with the aforesaid co-accused.*

5. *Adjourned to 31.07.2024.*

6. *Needful be done well before the date fixed with an advance copy to the counsel opposite.*

7. *In the meanwhile, the petitioner is hereby directed to join investigation within seven days from today and in the event of his arrest, he is ordered to be released on interim bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer.*



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He shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

4. Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Chamkaur Singh informs the Court that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is neither required for further investigation nor for any custodial interrogation.
5. Keeping in view the above submissions made by learned State counsel and the fact that the petitioner had joined the investigation consequent to the order dated 18.07.2024 passed by this Court, interim bail granted vide order dated 18.07.2024 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. Further the petitioner is directed to join investigation as and when required in future by way of written notice for such purpose to be served by Investigating Officer of this case upon the petitioner; he will not tamper with the evidence nor will influence the witnesses and will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court.
6. The petition stands allowed.
7. It is made clear that anything contained hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

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(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |