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

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Date of Decision: 25.09.2024

RAJ SINGH

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURBIR SINGH.

Present: Mr. Vishal Goel, Advocate for the petitioner.

(Through video conferencing)

Ms. Avneet, AAG, Punjab.

GURBIR SINGH, J (ORAL)

1. The prayer in this petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 03 dated 25.05.2024 under Sections 3(R.P) UP Act registered at Police Station RPF, Patiala, District Patiala.

2. Vide order dated 31.07.2024, this Court had granted interim bail to the petitioner and directed him to join investigation. The same is reproduced as under:-

“ Learned counsel for the petitioner inter alia submits that the petitioner is not named in the FIR but later on he has been nominated on the basis of disclosure statement of co-accused, while in custody.

Notice of motion.

At the asking of the Court, Mr. Rajinder Singh Bhatta, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State. He seeks time to file status report.

Adjourned to 25.09.2024.

In the meantime, petitioner is directed to join investigation as and when called by SHO/Investigating Officer and in the event of his arrest, he shall be released on interim bail on his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of SHO/Investigating Agency, subject to the following



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*conditions as envisaged under Section 438 (2)
Cr.P.C.:-*

(i) that the petitioner shall make himself available for interrogation before the investigating officer as and when required;

(ii) that the petitioner shall not, directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer;

(iii) that the petitioner shall not leave the country without prior permission of the Court concerned.

Status report be filed on or before the next date of hearing with an advance copy to the counsel opposite. ”

3. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI-Virender Singh (RPE), Patiala submits that in compliance of order dated 31.07.2024, petitioner has joined investigation and he is not required for any custodial interrogation.

4. I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

5. In view of the fact that the petitioner has joined investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required, the order dated 31.07.2024 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute. The petitioner shall abide by the conditions as laid down under Section 482(2) Cr.P.C. in letter and spirit.

6. Petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(GURBIR SINGH)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether Reportable: Yes/No