



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

CRM-M-37673-2024

Date of decision: 01.10.2024

GURMEET SINGH AND ANOTHER

...PETITIONERS

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present: - Ms. Rishma Verma, Advocate for the petitioners
(through Video Conferencing).

Mr. Adesh Pal Singh, AAG, Punjab.

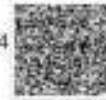
SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

Status report dated 24.09.2024 in the form of an affidavit of Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Phillaur, Jalandhar Rural, has been filed. The same is taken on record. Copy thereof has been supplied to learned counsel for the petitioners.

2. By way of present petition filed under Section 438 of Cr.P.C., the petitioners seek anticipatory bail in case FIR as under:

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
90	07.05.2022	420, 120-B of IPC and Section 13 of Punjab Travel Professionals (Regulation) Act, 2014	Phillaur, District Jalandhar Rural.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that in compliance to the order dated 11.09.2024 passed by this Court, the petitioners have already joined the investigation and as such prayed for confirming the interim bail granted vide order dated 11.09.2024.



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4. Learned State counsel, on instructions received from ASI Chaman Lal, intimates the Court that the petitioners have joined investigation and are neither required for further investigation nor for any custodial interrogation.

5. During the course of hearing on 11.09.2024, following order was passed:

“ 2. It is, inter alia, contended by learned counsel for the petitioners that the petitioners are innocent and have been falsely implicated in this case on account of money dispute between the petitioners and the complainant party. She contends that, in the meanwhile, a compromise was effected between the parties on 29.05.2024 (Annexure P-2) and the complainant has even given an affidavit dated 29.05.2024 (Annexure P-3) not pressing the allegations against the petitioners. She contends that the petitioners are ready to join 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 prays for time to file the status report/reply in the matter.

5. Mr. Gagandeep Singh, Advocate, has put in appearance on behalf of the complainant to assist learned State counsel in the matter and filed his vakalatnama. The same is taken on record. He has admitted the factum of compromise (supra) as well as the affidavit dated 29.05.2024 (Annexure P-3) being given by the complainant. He submits that the complainant has no objection in case the petitioners are granted the concession of bail.

6. Adjourned to 27.09.2024.



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7. Needful be done well before the date fixed with an advance copy to the counsel opposite. 8. In the meanwhile, the petitioners are hereby directed to join investigation within seven days from today and in the event of their arrest, they are ordered to be released on interim bail on their furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. They shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of the Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita 2023 (BNSS).”

6. Keeping in view the above submissions made by learned State counsel and the fact that the petitioners had joined the investigation consequent to the order dated 11.09.2024 passed by this Court, interim bail granted vide order dated 11.09.2024 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 482 (2) of BNSS, 2023. Further the petitioners are 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 petitioners; they will not tamper with the evidence nor will influence the witnesses and will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court.

7. The petition stands allowed.

8. It is made clear that anything contained hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

01.10.2024
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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |