



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

204 CRM-M-43399-2023(O&M)
Date of Decision: 16.05.2024

JAGDEEP GARGPetitioner
STATE OF PUNJABRespondent
VERSUS

CORAM : HON’BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present : Mr. Saurabh Garg, Advocate for the petitioner.
(through video conferencing)

Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Ajay Singh, Advocate for
Nirmaljit Singh Sidhu, Advocate for respondent no.2

MANISHA BATRA, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 438 of Cr.P.C.
seeking anticipatory bail in FIR mentioned below:-

FIR No.	Dated	Police Station	Sections
129	23.07.2023	P.S. City-2 Khanna, District Ludhiana	406 & 498-A of IPC

2. Vide order dated 29.11.2023 passed by this Court, the petitioner was released on interim bail and was directed to join investigation. Order dated 29.11.2023 reads as under:-

“As per the report received from the Mediation and Conciliation Centre of this Court, there is still possibility of an amicable settlement between the parties and some more time is required for that purpose.

In view of this report, the matter is sent back to the Mediation and Conciliation Centre of this Court for amicable settlement. The parties are directed to appear before the Mediation and Conciliation Centre of this Court on 11.12.2023 to settle their dispute amicably.



For awaiting the report of the Mediator, adjourned to 11.01.2024.

It has also been noticed today, that vide order dated 01.09.2023. the petitioner was directed to join the investigation in the meanwhile. However, the petitioner has not joined the same so far.

Now again a direction is being given to the petitioner to appear before the Investigating/Arresting Officer to join investigation within one week Subsequently. or as and when required. In the event of his arrest, the Investigating/Arresting Officer shall release the petitioner on interim bail on furnishing personal/surety bonds to his/her satisfaction. The petitioner shall also abide by the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. Simultaneously, he is also directed to join the mediation proceedings also.”

3. Report has been received from the Mediation and Conciliation Centre, as per which, the parties have settled their dispute amicably. The original written settlement/agreement has also been annexed with this report.

4. Learned State counsel states that the petitioner has joined the investigation on 02.12.2024 and he is not required for custodial interrogation. Learned counsel for respondent no.2 has no objection in this regard. In view of the said facts but without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 29.11.2023 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.

(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE

16.05.2024
Deepak Patwal

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| 1. Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| 2. Whether reportable | Yes/No |