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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-48966-2024
Date of decision: 20.11.2024

SUKHJINDER SINGH @ MANGU DODHIPetitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJABRespondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present:- Mr. Kamal Narula, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Seena Sandhu, AAG Punjab.

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SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

By way of present petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS,
the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR (Annexure P-1) as under:

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
10	23.01.2024	323, 384, 417, 419 of IPC and Section 148 and 149 of IPC added later on	Khulian Sarwan, District Fazilka

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance to the order dated 23.10.2024, the petitioner has joined the investigation.
3. During the course of hearing on 23.10.2024, following order had been passed: -

“ Status report dated 22.10.2024 filed in the form of an affidavit of Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Abohar, District Fazilka, is taken on record.



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Copy thereof has been supplied to learned counsel for the petitioner.

Arguments heard.

Considering the arguments and after perusing the record, it transpires that although the petitioner is named in the FIR along with 11 other persons, however, no specific overt act is attributed to the petitioner nor any amount has been claimed to have been given to the petitioner. It is evident from the status report submitted by the State that the complainant had given the amount to accused Aman Singh.

In these circumstances, without commenting on the merits of the case, the petitioner is hereby directed to join investigation within seven days from today and co-operate in the same. In the event of the arrest of the petitioner, he shall be released on interim bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. He shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) BNSS.

List on 20.11.2024.”

4. Learned State counsel on instructions received from Investigating Officer of the case 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 23.10.2024 passed by this Court, interim



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bail granted vide order dated 23.10.2024 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of BNSS. 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.

20.11.2024
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(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

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