

[220] IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-52579-2023
Date of Decision : 20.01.2024

Manish Kumar Singh ...Petitioner
versus
State of PunjabRespondent

Coram : HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA
Present : None for the petitioner.
Mr. Karunesh Kaushal, AAG, Punjab.

DEEPAK GUPTA, J. (ORAL)

[1] On 31.10.2023, the following order was passed by this Court:-

“ Present:- Mr. Akbarjit Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail under Section 438 Cr.P.C in case FIR No.0032 dated 11.02.2023 registered under Sections 384, 406 of the IPC, 1860 and Section 67 IT Act, 2000 registered at Police Station Salem Tabri, Ludhiana Police Commissionerate, Ludhiana.

FIR was lodged on the complaint of one Neelam Gupta as per which petitioner had borrowed an amount of Rs.1,35,000/- and thereafter made physical relations repeatedly. As and when complainant asked for returning the amount, petitioner used to blackmail her to reveal her chats to her in-laws family.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the relations between both the parties were consensual and that as soon as the husband of the complainant came to know about the said relations, petitioner has made a false complaint. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that petitioner is ready to join the investigation and will hand over his mobile and that from the server, the chat in question can be retrieved.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Randeep Singh Khaira, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondent- State.

Adjourned to 20.01.2024.

In the meantime, in case of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim bail subject to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. However, it is directed that the petitioner shall join the investigation as and when so required by the Investigating Officer. He shall not contact any person associated with the case to dissuade him from the investigation in any manner whatsoever and nor shall leave the country without prior permission of the Court. He shall further comply with the conditions stipulated in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. ”

[2] Today, learned State Counsel, on instructions from ASI Surenderpal Singh, has informed this Court that the petitioner has joined the investigation, in compliance of the order dated 31.10.2023 and is no longer required for further investigation.

[3] In view of the aforesaid, the order dated 31.10.2023, whereby the petitioner was granted interim anticipatory bail, is hereby made absolute. However, he shall continue to join investigation, if and so required by the Investigating Officer.

[4] Disposed of.

(DEEPAK GUPTA)
JUDGE

20.01.2024
'Rajneesh'

Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No