

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-52600-2023

Date of decision: 18.04.2024

Ashwad

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Dixit Garg, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Navdeep Singh, DAG, Punjab.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking the concession of anticipatory bail under Section 438 of the Cr.P.C. in case FIR No.0158 dated 10.09.2023 under Sections 307 and 429 of the IPC and Sections 3 and 8 of the Punjab Prohibition of Cow Slaughter Act, 1955 registered at Police Station Khanna City 2 Police District Khanna, District Ludhiana.

2. On 17.10.2023, while issuing notice of motion, learned counsel for the petitioner had made the following submissions:-

“Learned counsel inter alia contends that the petitioner was neither driving nor was he present when the vehicle carrying 250 boxes of beef meat tried to run over the members of the 'Gau Raksha Dal' when they tried to intercept it.”

3. Thereafter, on 12.01.2024, the petitioner had been granted the concession of interim bail and asked to join investigation.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of order dated 12.01.2024, the petitioner has joined

investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency.

5. Learned State counsel, on instructions from SI Gurinder Singh, does not dispute the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency. He, on further instructions, submits that the petitioner is not required for further investigation much less for his custodial interrogation.

6. In view of the above, the petition is allowed and interim order dated 12.01.2024, is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

18.04.2024

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

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