



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-53696-2023

Date of decision: 23.05.2024

Harpal Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. P.K.S. Phoolka, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Navdeep Singh, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. P.S. Dhaliwal, Advocate
for the complainant.

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.157 dated 24.09.2023 under Section 420 of the IPC registered at Police Station Civil Lines, Patiala, District Patiala.

2. On 06.11.2023, while noticing the following submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court had granted the concession of interim bail to the petitioner and asked him to join investigation:-

“Learned counsel for the petitioner inter alia contends that a civil dispute has been given a criminal complexion. He further submits that though the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required, however, he is ready to join investigation and cooperate with the investigating agency.”



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3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of order dated 06.11.2023, the petitioner has joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency.

4. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Narata Ram, 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.

5. In view of the above, the petition is allowed and interim order dated 06.11.2023, is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

23.05.2024

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

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