



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M-57611-2024

Date of decision : 19.11.2024

Manjit Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE

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

Mr. H.S. Deol, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Ms. Ramneek Kaur, Advocate,
for the complainant.

SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE (Oral)

The petitioner, who has no criminal antecedents, apprehends his arrest in respect of offences punishable under Sections 306 and 34 IPC, registered vide FIR No. 210 dated 24.10.2023 at Police Station Lehra, District Sangrur.

2. The allegations are that the petitioner and two other co-accused used to threaten the deceased in the backdrop of the incident of theft, where the deceased, who was aged about 25 years, had been blamed for committing theft of gold ornaments belonging to co-accused Gurmail Singh. Out of fear and anger, the deceased is stated to have hanged himself and committed suicide.



3. It appears from the story of the prosecution that there is no live and proximate link between the cause and abetment to suicide. Therefore, in the absence of any criminal antecedent of the petitioner, this Court extends him the benefit of anticipatory bail subject to his furnishing personal bonds for a sum of Rs. 50,000/- with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. However, the petitioner shall join investigation as and when called upon to do so and cooperate with the Arresting/Investigating Officer and shall abide by the conditions as provided under Section 482 (2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023. In case the petitioner does not join the investigation, the State is free to move an application for cancellation of his bail.

4. This order shall also remain subject to the following condition :-

“The petitioner shall plant 10 saplings of indigenous plants at a public place and submit proof in that regard by way of photographs before the concerned Police Station where the FIR has been registered within a period of 15 days and if there is no such intimation submitted or intimation is found to be incorrect, then the State can move an application for cancellation of his bail.”

5. Petition stands allowed.

(SHEEL NAGU)
CHIEF JUSTICE

November 19, 2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No