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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-1404-2025 (O&M)
Date of decision: 14.01.2025

Multan Singh @ Mastan Singh

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Amit Arora, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG, Punjab.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

1. Present petition has been filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No.67 dated 05.08.2022 under Sections 307, 324, 323, 427, 506, 120-B, 148, 149 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (for short 'IPC') and Section 25 of Arms Act, 1959, registered at Police Station Sarai Amant Khan, District Tarn Taran.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, *inter alia*, contends that there is a delay of 04 days in registration of FIR (*supra*), which creates a serious doubt on the case set up by the prosecution. A civil dispute is pending between the parties, which has been given the colour of criminal offence in order to put



pressure upon the petitioner side to effect a compromise in the property dispute. Further, the essential ingredients to invoke the offence under Section 307 of IPC are missing.

3. *Per contra*, learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Karam Singh, opposes the prayer made by the petitioner on the ground that there are specific allegations against the petitioner that he used country-made pistol and fired upon the complainant, who suffered two punctured wounds on his left shoulder. Thereafter, one more FIR has been registered against him, in which he again used country-made pistol. As such, custodial interrogation of the petitioner is imperative to conduct proper investigation.

4. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and after perusing the record of the case with their able assistance, it transpires that the investigation is at the initial stage.

5. Keeping in view the gravity of offence and nature of accusation, this Court finds no ground to grant concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. Accordingly, present petition is dismissed.

[HARPREET SINGH BRAR]
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No