



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

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CRM-M-45171-2024

Date of decision: 24th January, 2025

Jagmeet Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present: Ms. Priyanka Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Sakshi Bakshi, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

MANISHA BATRA, J (ORAL):-

The present petition has been filed by the petitioner seeking grant of regular bail in case bearing FIR No. 400 dated 08.12.2023 registered under Sections 121-A and 506 of IPC (Section 384 of IPC added later on) at Police Station Tripuri, Patiala, District Patiala.

2. Brief facts of the case relevant for the purpose of disposal of this petition are that the aforementioned FIR had been registered on the basis of statement got recorded by the complainant-Dr. Sumir Modi, Director at a School at DLF Colony, Patiala, alleging therein that on 18.08.2023, one polythene bag was found lying near the gate of the school and on opening the same, it was found to be containing threats against the teachers and staff members of the school. It was mentioned to have been issued by some members of 'Khalistan Pakhi, KLF Group' which is a group indulged in anti national activities. On checking from the CCTV footage of the camera



installed in the school premises, it was revealed that the petitioner had dropped the said letter outside the school. Another letter extending threats to blow the school by bomb blast was also dropped by the petitioner in the Law University where the school authorized used to get annual funnctions done. After registration of FIR, investigation proceedings were initiated. The petitioner was arrested on 08.12.2023. On interrogation, he suffered disclosure statement, admitting his involvement in the subject crime and got recovered four more threatening letters and two dummy bombs from his own house. Investigation has since been concluded and challan has been presented in the Court.

3. The present petition has been filed by the petitioner on the grounds and it is argued by his counsel that he has been falsely implicated in this case by the complainant under the pressure of the school management. Infact, he had made a complaint regarding the conduct of class teacher of his daughter studying in the school of the complainant and as a counter blast to the same, he was falsely implicated in this case. The ingredients for commission of offence under Section 121-A of IPC are not at all attracted against him. There is delay of four months in lodging of the FIR. The petitioner is a patient of depression. Only fake bombs have been recovered from him. He does not have contact with any militant or banned organization. He is in custody since long. No useful purpose would be served by keeping him in custody anymore. Therefore, it is urged that he deserves to be extended benefit of bail.

4. Status report has been filed by respondent-State. It is argued by learned Assistant Advocate General, Punjab that there are serious and



specific allegations against him. Not only, he had dropped a threatening letter outside the premises of Milestone School but also sent a letter to the Law University extending threats to blast with bomb in the auditorium of that University, if annual day function was celebrated by Milestone Smart School therein. CCTV footage of the camera installed outside the school has shown the petitioner while dropping the threatening letter by the complainant. The documents containing the admitted hand writing of the petitioner and his wife as well as the threatening letter allegedly thrown by him have been sent to FSL for comparison thereof and the report is awaited. It is argued that keeping in view the gravity of allegations as levelled against the petitioner, he does not deserve to be released on bail.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties at considerable length and have gone through the record carefully.

6. As per the allegations, the petitioner while claiming himself to be a member of a militant organization indulged in making attempts to wage war against the Government of India, in conspiracy with other members of militant organization named as KLF Bhinderwala Tiger Force and in order to overawe the staff members and teachers of Milestone School and also to overawe public at large, threw a threatening letter outside the school premises and another letter outside a local Law University thereby extending threat to blast the auditorium of the Law University with a bomb thereby creating terror. Recovery of four dummy bombs as well as four letters extending similar threats has been effected from his house. In this petition itself, the petitioner has admitted the factum of recovery of such bombs. These letters with admitted handwriting of the petitioner and his wife have



been sent for FSL examination. The allegations against the petitioner are serious in nature as they amount to making attempt to wage war against the Government of India in conspiracy with others by creating terror in the eyes of public persons in the form of staff members of the school of the complainant and of Law University. The trial has commenced and there is nothing on record to show that there would be any undue delay in conclusion of the same. Taking into consideration the above discussed facts, I am of the considered opinion that the petition does not deserve to be allowed. Hence, the same is dismissed.

7. It is, however, clarified that the observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

8. Since the main petition has been dismissed, pending application, if any, is rendered infructuous.

[MANISHA BATRA]
JUDGE

24th January, 2025

Parveen Sharma

1. *Whether speaking/ reasoned*
2. *Whether reportable*

: *Yes / No*
: *Yes / No*