

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

**CRM-M-10813 of 2015
Date of decision : 29.06.2015**

Paramjit Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DARSHAN SINGH

Present: Mr.B.D.Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Neeraj Yadav, AAG, Punjab.

DARSHAN SINGH,J(Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed by petitioner Paramjit Singh under Section 438 Cr.P.C for grant of the anticipatory bail in case FIR No. 429 dated 11.09.2013, under Sections 135, 136, 150 of Electricity Act, 2003, registered at Police Station Anti Theft Verka, District Amritsar.

2. On 10.04.2015, the following order was passed by the Coordinate Bench:-

Crl.Misc.No.12012 of 2015

Crl.Misc.is allowed. Annexure P-3 is taken on record.

Crl.Misc.No.M-10813 of 2015

“Contends that the petitioner has already deposited 50% of the penalty.

Notice of motion for 29.6.2015.

In the meantime, the arrest of the petitioner shall remain stayed subject to the following conditions :-

- i) He will make himself available for investigation as and when required to do so.
- ii) He will not leave the country without the prior permission of the Court.
- iii) He will not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police official”.

3. As per the prosecution allegations, the petitioner has tampered with the electric meter and also burnt it. Even a notice was issued to pay a penalty of Rs. 1,18,369/-.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner states that vide receipt (Annexure P-3) an amount of Rs. 59,185/- has been deposited by the petitioner and the penalty proceedings have been challenged by way of a civil suit, which is still pending.

5. Learned State counsel on the instructions of ASI Baldev Singh, Police Station Anti Power Theft Verka, Amritsar has stated at bar that the petitioner has already joined the investigation. Thus, the petitioner is no longer required for any custodial interrogation.

6. So, the present petition is hereby allowed and the order of interim anticipatory bail dated 10.04.2015 is hereby made absolute subject to the conditions as provided under Section 438(2) Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973.

29.06.2015

s.khan

**(DARSHAN SINGH)
JUDGE**