

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

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CRM-M No.11195 of 2015.

Date of Decision: July 21, 2015.

Gurdeep Singh

....Petitioner.

VERSUS

The State of Punjab

....Respondent.

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SNEH PRASHAR.

Present: Mr. Rajesh Bhatheja, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ashish Sanghi, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

SNEH PRASHAR, J.(Oral)

A petition under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (in short, "Cr.P.C.") for grant of anticipatory bail was filed by the petitioner in case First Information Report No.581 dated 26.09.2013 under Section 135 of Electricity Act, 2003 registered at Police Station Anti Power Theft, Ludhiana.

Heard the submissions made by learned counsel representing the petitioner and learned Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has produced photostat copy of receipt vide which the petitioner has deposited an amount of Rs.73,148/- on 07.07.2015 in addition to the amount of Rs.96,700/- deposited by him earlier. The entire amount i.e. Rs.1,69,848/- consisting of the penalty amount as well as compounding charges assessed by the Electricity

Department has been deposited. Learned State counsel accepts the factum of deposit by the petitioner.

In view of the matter, the petition is allowed and the benefit of anticipatory bail is extended to the petitioner. In the event of his arrest, he shall be released on bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting/ Investigating Officer and will appear before learned trial court as and when called. He shall also be bound by the conditions as contained in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. as under:-

- (i) that the petitioner shall make himself available for interrogation by the police officer as and when required;
- (ii) that the petitioner shall 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 officer; and
- (iii) that the petitioner shall not leave India without prior permission of the Court.

(SNEH PRASHAR)
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