

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Date of decision:03.08.2015

1) CRM-M-14802-2015

Aman Kumar

...Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

2) CRM-M-15979-2015

Kapil Kumar

...Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

3) CRM-M-17896-2015

Saurav Singh

...Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJAN GUPTA

Present: Mr. S.P.S. Sidhu, Advocate, and
Mr. Sandeep Katoch, Advocate,
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Ankur Jain, AAG, Punjab.

Rajan Gupta, J. (oral)

This order shall dispose of three connected petitions bearing CRM-M-14802, CRM-M-15979 and CRM-M-17896 of 2015 preferred by the accused in FIR No.9 dated 02.03.2015 registered under Sections 406/419/420/465/468/471 and 120-B IPC at Police Station Lambra, District Jalandhar.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contend that investigation in the matter is complete and case is triable by Magistrate. They submit that petitioners have been incarcerated for

considerable period. Name of the accused-Aman Kumar figured in the statement of co-accused. Therefore, petitioners deserve concession of bail.

Learned State counsel opposed prayer for bail. According to him, during investigation it was found that accused had rung up three hundred persons all over the country and had complete information regarding insurance policies of these persons. They committed fraud and collected almost ₹10 lacs. They also made calls from toll free numbers inviting people that their policies had matured and the amount was to be deposited in their respective accounts after deducting TDS. They also prepared forged identity cards for collecting cheques in respect of the tax to be deducted at source. All these cheques were deposited by the accused in their accounts.

Keeping in view the nature of allegations, I am of the considered view that petitioners are not entitled to concession of bail. Merely, because they have been incarcerated for a considerable period would not entitle them to bail in view of a larger conspiracy hatched by them to dupe innocent citizens. Though, challan has been submitted, stand of the investigating agency is that it needs to record the statement of persons in other States who received calls from petitioners.

Under the circumstances, there is no merit in the petitions.

Dismissed. State shall, however, ensure that investigation is supervised by some senior officer.

03.08.2015

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**(RAJAN GUPTA)
JUDGE**