

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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CRM-M-17249-2015 (O&M)

Date of decision:17.7.2015

ANIL ARORA

.....Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ MOHAN SINGH

Present: Mr.R.S.Rai, Sr. Advocate with
Mr. Deepinder Brar, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr.Arshdeep S.Kler, DAG, Punjab.

Mr.G.B.S.Dhillon, Advocate,
for the complaint.

RAJ MOHAN SINGH, J.

This petition has been filed by the petitioner for grant of regular bail in case FIR No. 123 dated 25.9.2014 under Sections 406, 420, 120-B IPC registered at Police Station Jamalpur District Ludhiana.

Allegations are that wife of the petitioner was involved in collecting money from complainant and others in business of *kitties/ lucky draws*. Complainant used to contribute amount in *kitties/ lucky draws*. Further allegations are that huge amount has been taken away by the wife of the petitioner and she has

gone abroad (Italy).

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Gurbakhshish Singh, has submitted that no recovery has been effected from the petitioner despite police remand. Challan stands presented.

Learned counsel for the complainant, however, vehemently opposes the grant of bail on the ground that huge amount is involved. Petitioner as well as his wife were operating business of collecting money from *kitties/ lucky draws*.

At this stage, without adverting to the merits of the case, since trial is magisterial one, challan stands presented and petitioner is in custody since 11.2.2015, grant of bail can be considered.

In view of aforesaid, this petition is allowed. Petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail, subject to heavy conditions to the satisfaction of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Ludhiana.

Nothing expressed hereinabove would be taken to be an opinion on merits of the case.

(RAJ MOHAN SINGH)
JUDGE

July 17, 2015

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