

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

CRM-M No.1953 of 2015

Date of Decision:-27.08.2015

Paras Ram.

.....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab.

.....Respondent.

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present:- Ms. Kanika Sachdeva, Advocate for
Ms. Tarunpreet Kaur, Advocate for the Petitioner.

Mr. K.S. Sidhu, DAG Punjab.

JASWANT SINGH, J (ORAL)

Prayer is under Section 438 Cr.PC for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner Paras Ram in case FIR No.115 dated 01.11.2014 for offences punishable under Sections 406, 420 of Indian Penal Code registered with Police Station Mahilpur, District Hoshiarpur.

As per allegations in the FIR petitioner is stated to have obtained a sum of Rs.1,41,000/- each from four persons on the pretext of sending them abroad and is thus involved in the business of running travel agency. Neither the said persons were sent abroad nor the money was returned.

Stand of the petitioner, as per his Counsel is that the said persons/complainants had entered into agreement with one Eagle Carrier

Consultants Pvt. Ltd., Ludhiana for going abroad and had thus paid consultancy charges and obtained receipts, the petitioner has only affixed his signatures as a witness.

Learned State Counsel on instructions from HC Budh Singh states that although the petitioner has joined investigations, however, he has not disclosed the whereabouts of the alleged owner of the now closed travel agency, therefore, investigations have not proceeded any further and as such custodial interrogation is required.

Without commenting on the merits of the case, it is apparent that the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is required to complete the chain of investigation. Accordingly, the present petition is hereby dismissed.

(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE

August 27, 2015
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