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

CRM-M-25242 of 2015

Date of decision: August 18, 2015

Inderdeep Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SABINA

Present: Mr. Achin Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. P.S. Ghuman, Addl. AG Punjab.

SABINA, J

Petitioner has filed this petition under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.476 dated 29.06.2015, under Section 136 of Electricity Act, 2003, registered at Police Station APT, District Bathinda.

Prosecution story in brief is that the petitioner had shifted High Tension Line (H.T. Line), Transformer and Tube-well connection in illegal manner and by doing so has caused loss to the Department to the tune of ₹81,100/- and in case, it is to be re-shifted to its original place, Department would have to incur expenses to the tune of ₹1,09,151/-.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner has been falsely involved in this case. In fact, petitioner had deposited ₹6,740/- as directed by the Department.

Learned State counsel, on the other hand has opposed the petition and has submitted that so far as ₹6,740/- deposited by the petitioner are concerned, the same were deposited by the petitioner by way of fine. However, petitioner had misappropriated five electric poles and 1200 meters of electricity wire and had caused loss to the Department to the tune of ₹81,100/-. Petitioner was required for custodial interrogation.

In the present case, allegations levelled against the petitioner are serious in nature. By shifting H.T. Line, Transformer and Tubewell connection, petitioner has caused loss to the Department to the tune of ₹81,100/-. Petitioner is required for custodial interrogation.

Hence, no ground for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, is made out.

Dismissed.

**(SABINA)
JUDGE**

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