

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

**Criminal Misc. No. M-32301 of 2015
Date of Decision:-30.10.2015**

Pal Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

1. *Whether reporters of local newspapers may be allowed to see judgment?*
2. *To be referred to reporters or not?*
3. *Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?*

Present:- Mr. Anil Lamdharia, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Simsi Dhir Malhotra, DAG Punjab.

Mr. M.P.S. Mann, Advocate
for the complainant.

HARI PAL VERMA J.(Oral)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No.51 dated 1.5.2015, under Sections 406, 420 and 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Sirhind, District Fatehgarh Sahib.

This Court vide order dated 21.9.2015, while issuing notice of motion, has granted interim bail to the petitioner subject to joining the investigation as and when directed by the Investigating Agency/Investigating Officer and to abide by the terms and conditions laid down under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that pursuant to the aforesaid order, the petitioner has appeared before the Investigating Officer and joined the investigation.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Ved Parkash submits that during investigation, the police has found the petitioner innocent and the cancellation report has already been submitted to the Senior Superintendent of Police for his approval.

Mr. M.P.S. Mann, learned counsel appearing for the complainant argued that the hard earned money of the complainant has been usurped by the petitioner.

Taking into consideration the fact that the petitioner has joined the investigation and during the investigation he has been found innocent, the present petition is allowed and interim directions issued by this Court vide order dated 27.5.2015 are made absolute.

However, the petitioner shall continue to join investigation as and when required to do so and shall abide by the terms and conditions, as laid down under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

As regard the plea of the complainant, he is at liberty to adopt the recourse as available under law.

October 30, 2015
Vijay Asija

(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE