

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

CrI.Misc.No.M-43251 of 2014(O&M)

Date of Decision : 10.04.2015

Sukhcharan Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE MAHESH GROVER

Present : Ms. Isha Goyal, Advocate for the petitioner
Mr. P.J.S.Hundal, AAG, Punjab

MAHESH GROVER, J.

The petitioner prays for grant of pre-arrest bail in terms of Section 438 Cr.P.C in case FIR no. 15 dated 5.11.2014 registered under Sections 7,13(2) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 at Police Station Vigilance Bureau, Bathinda.

The petitioner is accused of having demanded a substantial amount from the complainant in order to forward his file to the competent authority to enable him to pass an order in compliance of the mandate issued by this Court on 6.12.2013 passed in CWP no.26800 of 2013.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the FIR is of November, 2014 and prior thereto the file itself had been moved in February, 2014 and appropriate orders passed by the competent authority on 20.2.2014, thus there would be hardly any occasion for the petitioner to demand any money on this count. Besides pursuant to the orders of this Court dated 18.12.2014 the petitioner has joined the investigation which fact is not controverted by the learned State counsel on instructions from DSP Bhupinder Singh.

Having regard to the aforesaid facts, instant petition is allowed.

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Interim directions dated 18.12.2014 are hereby made absolute subject to the condition that the petitioner continues to comply with the provisions of Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

April 10, 2015
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(Mahesh Grover)
Judge