

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

CRM-M No. 12129 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of decision: 27.05.2016

Pritam Singh Mitha

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Dr. Anmol Rattan Sidhu, Sr. Advocate with
Mr. Suvir Sidhu, Advocate and
Mr. Raghav Gulati, Advocate for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Aditya Sanghi, Addl.A.G., Punjab
assisted by ASI Rajpal Singh.

Mr. S.S. Chahal, Advocate for the complainant.

Jitendra Chauhan, J. (Oral)

By filing the present petition under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, the petitioner has sought anticipatory bail in case FIR No.74, dated 10.09.2015, registered under Sections 420, 120-B IPC and Sections 4/5 of the Prize Chit and Money Circulation Schemes (Banning) Act, 1978, at Police Station Cantt. Bathinda.

The learned counsel for the petitioner contends that in pursuance of the order dated 26.04.2016, the petitioner has joined the investigation.

The learned State counsel, on instructions, submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation but no recovery has so far been effected.

Heard.

Similarly situated accused, namely, Vinod Kumar, in another FIR No.255 dated 07.09.2015 of Police Station City, Barnala, was granted the concession of anticipatory bail, vide order dated 15.10.2015 in CRM-M-35102 of 2015. The petitioner is also an agent of the crown company. The main accused Jagjit Singh @ Ladi along with other directors of the company have undertaken to discharge liability involved in the present FIR. Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the interim bail granted by this Court vide order dated 26.04.2016, is made absolute, subject to the conditions contained in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

The petition stands allowed.

27.05.2016

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(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE