

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM No. M-15337 of 2016 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 05.05.2016

Seetal Singh

--Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

--Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.

Present:- Mr. Rishu Mahajan, Advocate for the petitioner.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.J

The present petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C praying for the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case F.I.R. No.183 dated 8.8.2014 under sections 420, 467, 468, 471, 120-B I.P.C, registered at Police Station, Gharinda, District Amritsar.

Counsel for the petitioner has been heard at length.

Briefly noticed, F.I.R came to be registered on the statement of Kulwant Singh. Allegations in a nutshell are that the complainant had entered into an agreement to sell dated 9.2.2013 for purchase of land which was under the ownership of Amrik Singh for a consideration of Rs.34,70,000/- per acre and an earnest money of Rs.13 lacs was paid (Rs. One lac in cash and Rs.12 lacs by cheque).

Allegations are that co-accused Ratan Singh has impersonated as the real owner i.e. Amrik Singh and as such, a fraud has been committed on the complainant.

In so far as the present petitioner is concerned, he is stated to be a property dealer and who had facilitated the deal in question. The agreement to sell dated 9.2.2013 carries the signatures of the present petitioner.

Allegations against the petitioner are serious in nature, whereby while acting as a broker he has identified main accused Ratan Singh as Amrik Singh i.e. the real owner.

Against the backdrop of such allegations, this Court is not inclined to extend in favour of the petitioner the concession of pre-arrest bail.

Petition, accordingly, is dismissed.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

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