

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

**Criminal Misc.No.M-20122 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of Decision : 29th November, 2016**

Rattan Lal

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. Sant Pal Singh Sidhu, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ms. Amarjit Kaur Khurana, Addl. A.G., Punjab
for the respondent(s)-State.

AJAY TEWARI, J. (Oral)

Petitioner has preferred the instant petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C., for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.60 dated 11.03.2016, registered at Police Station City Ferozepur, District Ferozepur, under Sections 420, 120-B IPC.

As per the allegations, the complainant had come in contact with one Jaswinder Singh alias John Masih who had promised a job to her nephew Manjinder Singh and had taken an amount of Rs.80,000/- and the petitioner was stated to be his accomplice.

On 03.06.2016, this Court passed the following order:-

“Charanjit Kaur was promised a job for her son Manjinder Singh by John Masih on receipt of sum of Rs.55000/-. The said amount was allegedly paid in presence of petitioner being the Principal and Director of ITI College.

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Notice to Advocate General, Punjab for August 19, 2016.

Meanwhile, an interim direction is issued that the petitioner will join investigation on June 18, 2016 and in case of his doing so, he will be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of the arresting officer.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner has argued that the petitioner only gives his house on rent to John Masih, who may have misused his name and now the petitioner has been implicated. As per him, even in the initial inquiry made by the police, it was concluded that the fault of the petitioner was that he did not give information to the police about the whereabouts of John Masih but the police never came to the conclusion that the petitioner had taken the money.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case and without going into the merits of the case, I do not deem it appropriate to deny the concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the present case.

Ordered accordingly.

Resultantly, the interim order dated 03.06.2016 is made absolute subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Petition stands allowed.

(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE

29th November, 2016

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Whether speaking

Yes/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No