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**220-A IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

**CRM-M No.27432 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of Decision : 14.09.2016**

Sunil Kumar Sehgal

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. S.K.Arora, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Amarjit Kaur Khurana, Addl. AG, Punjab.

AJAY TEWARI, J. (Oral)

This is a petition for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner under Section 438 Cr.P.C. in case FIR No.101 dated 17.07.2016 registered under Sections 420/506/120-B IPC and 13 of The Public Gambling Act, 1867 at Police Station Zira, District Ferozepur.

On 10.08.2016 the following order was passed:-

“Petitioner allegedly induced complainant Rajiv

Kumar to bet on IPL Cricket matches and was persuaded to loose money in lacs.

Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is a shop keeper known to the complainant. There is a dispute regarding a cheque issued by the complainant in favour of the petitioner which was dishonoured. In order to pressurize the petitioner not to pursue his remedy, the petitioner has been implicated in the case.

Notice to Advocate General, Punjab, for September 14, 2016.

Meanwhile, an interim direction is issued that the petitioner will join investigation on August 20, 2016 and September 3, 2016 and in case of his doing so, he will be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of the arresting officer.”

Learned Additional Advocate General, on instructions from H.C. Angrej Singh accepts the fact that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is no more required for custodial interrogation.

In these circumstances, I do not deem it appropriate to deny anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

Resultantly, the petition is allowed. The interim order dated 10.08.2016 is made absolute subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Since the main case has been decided, the pending criminal miscellaneous application, if any, also stands disposed of.

14.09.2016

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**(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable :

Yes/No