

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

CRM-M No. 39089 of 2015 (O&M)
Date of decision: 23.07.2016

Iqbal Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Mr. Sunil Garg, Advocate for the petitioner(s).

Ms. Harsimrat Rai, DAG, Punjab.
assisted by ASI Gurbachan Singh.

None 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.84, dated 09.09.2015, registered under Sections 406, 420, 120-B, 467, 468, 471 IPC and Sections 4 & 5 of the Prize Chits and Money Circulation Schemes (Banning) Act, 1978, at Police Station Tapa Mandi, District Barnala.

The learned counsel for the petitioner contends that petitioner was an agent of crown company. The Managing Director of the company had undertaken to discharge his liability including the present FIR. He further states that in pursuance of the order dated

09.12.2015, the petitioner has joined the investigation.

The learned State counsel, on instructions, submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation and he is not required for custodial interrogation.

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 09.12.2015, is made absolute, subject to the conditions contained in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

The petition stands allowed.

23.07.2016

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(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE