

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

CRM-M No. 43095 of 2016

Date of decision : December 09, 2016

Hans Raj

..... Petitioner

v.

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. Digvijay Nagpal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Amarjit Kaur Khurana, Addl. AG Punjab

Ajay Tewari, J (Oral)

The petitioner seeks grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.189, dated 16.3.2016, registered under Section 135 of the Electricity Act, at Police Station Anti Power Theft, PCPCL Patiala.

Allegations are that the petitioner was stealing electricity without meter and caused a loss of ₹ 1.30 lac.

Counsel for the petitioner has argued that actually this is a

false case because the account mentioned does not belong to the

petitioner.

Learned Addl. AG Punjab, on instructions from SI Amreek Singh, has stated that the petitioner should provisionally deposit half of the amount, and all the issues raised by him will be considered and in case he does that the State would have no objection to the grant of anticipatory bail.

In the circumstances, let the petitioner deposit 50% of the amount raised within 10 days and appear before the IO along with the receipt on or before 20.12.2016. The IO shall release him on anticipatory bail to his satisfaction subject to the compliance of the provisions of Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C. In case the petitioner does not deposit the amount within the stipulated period, this petition would be deemed to be dismissed. It is made clear that the amount deposited would be without any admission on the part of the petitioner that he owes the same and would be subject to the material which may be produced by the petitioner.

This petition stands disposed of.

(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE

December 09, 2016
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Whether speaking/reasoned:
Whether Reportable:

Yes/No
Yes/No