

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

CRM-M-16132-2016 (O&M)

Date of decision : 16.01.2017

AJIT SINGH

...Petitioner (s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent (s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Mr. Yogesh Goel, Advocate for the petitioner (s).

Mr. R.S. Nain, AAG, Punjab

Mr. G.S. Jagpal, Advocate 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 a case FIR No.184, dated 26.10.2015, registered under Sections 420 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, at Police Station Division No.4, District Ludhiana City.

The learned counsel for the petitioner states that in terms of order dated 11.05.2016, petitioner has repeatedly joined the investigation. He further states that in pursuance of order dated 28.11.2016, the petitioner for himself and on behalf of co-accused has deposited a demand draft amounting to Rs.5.5 lakh against the earnest money of Rs.3 lakh. It is complainant who had not come forth for the execution of the sale deed in

question. The dispute which is essentially civil in nature is sought to be given a criminal flavour.

The learned State counsel and learned counsel for the complainant have duly acknowledged the factum of receipt of demand draft.

Heard.

In view of the above, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the interim bail granted by this Court vide order dated 11.05.2016, is made absolute, subject to furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

The petition stands allowed.

16.01.2017

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(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes / No

Whether reportable: Yes / No