

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

CRL. MISC. No.M-22556 OF 2017 (O&M)
DATE OF DECISION : 10th JULY, 2017

Gurdeep Singh @ Deep

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A. B. CHAUDHARI

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Present : Mr. Chandeeep Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramandeep Sandhu, Sr. D.A.G. Punjab.

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A. B. CHAUDHARI, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner has filed this petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.0053 dated 25.05.2017 registered under Sections 407, 420 & 120-B IPC at Police Station Khamano, District Fatehgarh Sahib.

Heard learned counsel for the rival parties and seen the record.

The prosecution allegations clearly shows that the petitioner along with other persons in connivance misappropriated goods of around ₹66 lacs. So far as the petitioner is concerned he was a security guard. Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Mandeep Singh, submits that the petitioner tampered with the tanker receipt register and thus indulged in the said offence.

Learned State counsel further submits that the handwriting of the petitioner is required for the purpose of investigation. The main accused has been granted regular bail by the trial Court on the vague statement that the recovery has been affected as State counsel submits that the recover of ₹66 lacs was never affected.

Be that as it may. Since the custody of the petitioner is required for comparison of handwriting, the petitioner can be released on anticipatory bail asking him to appear before the Investigating Officer to give specimen of his handwriting and signatures.

In that view of the matter, I make the following order:

ORDER

- (i) CRL. MISC. No.M-22556 OF 2017 is allowed.
- (ii) The petitioner is granted anticipatory bail in the present FIR on furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court.
- (iii) The petitioner shall appear before the Investigating Officer to give specimen of his handwriting and signatures as per the requirement.
- (iv) In case of violation of the above condition the liberty is reserved in favour of the State to apply for cancellation of bail.

Disposed of accordingly.

10th JULY, 2017
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(A. B. CHAUDHARI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: *Yes* *No*

Whether Reportable: *Yes* *No*