

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

**CRM No.M-39463 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of decision:09.01.2017**

Davinder Singh @ Ladi

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.

Present: Mr. Amandeep Singh Gulati, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Harpreet K. Athwal, DAG, Punjab.

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TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.

This order shall dispose of the present petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. seeking anticipatory bail in case FIR No.74 dated 26.05.2016, under Sections 384/420/120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Bhikhiwind, District Tarn Taran.

Briefly noticed, FIR came to be registered on the statement of Chadat Singh. Allegations in a nutshell were that the present petitioner acting in collusion with seven other co-accused including two ladies have formed a gang and have extracted money by blackmailing the complainant on the threat that he would be involved in a rape case.

During the course of arguments today, it has gone uncontroverted that in pursuance to the notice of motion order dated 07.11.2016 passed by this Court as also the ad interim protection having been granted to him, the petitioner has since joined investigation.

Learned State counsel further submits that there is no recovery that is to be effected from the petitioner. Other co-accused, namely, Manjit

Singh @ Pardhan, Baljinder Kaur @ Babbu, Rupinder Kaur, Gagandeep

Kaur, Balwinder Singh and Hira Singh have already been granted the benefit of regular bail in the present case.

In view of the facts and circumstances noticed hereinabove, this Court is of the considered view that custodial interrogation of the petitioner would not be warranted.

Accordingly, petition is allowed. The order dated 07.11.2016 passed by this Court is made absolute.

Disposed of.

09.01.2017

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**

i) Whether speaking/reasoned? Yes

ii) Whether reportable? No