

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH.

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CRM No.M-16796 of 2018

Date of decision:24.4.2018

Raman Kumar

... Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH.

Present: Mr.Vipin Mahajan, Advocate, for the petitioner

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AMOL RATTAN SINGH, J. (Oral)

Having considered the arguments of learned counsel for the petitioner, to the effect that the amount alleged to have been embezzled by the petitioner and his co-accused, i.e. the Sarpanch, is recoverable even in terms of Section 216 of the Punjab Panchayati Raj Act 1994, in the opinion of this Court, as regards the recoverability of the amount alleged to have been embezzled, that is a separate civil proceeding, whereas the FIR has been registered to initiate criminal proceedings for eventual punishment for such embezzlement as a crime, if it is proved to have been committed.

Consequently, finding no merit in this petition, it is dismissed.

However, nothing stated herein above will be taken as a comment on the merits of the case for or against the petitioner, but only in the context of this petition seeking anticipatory bail.

24.4.2018

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(AMOL RATTAN SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No