

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

**Crl. Misc. No.M-22301 of 2018 (O&M)  
Date of Decision: September 05, 2018**

Nitesh Malhotra

**.....PETITIONER(s).**

**VERSUS**

State of Punjab

**...RESPONDENT(s).**

**CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURINDER GUPTA**

Present: Mr. Sukhmeet Singh, Advocate  
for the petitioner (s).

Mr. Amitoj Singh Dhaliwal, DAG, Punjab.

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**SURINDER GUPTA, J.(Oral)**

The present petition has been filed under Section 438 Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.213 dated 16.11.2016 registered for the offence punishable under Sections 420, 465, 468, 471 read with Section 120-B of Indian Penal Code at Police Station Moga City, District Moga.

Heard.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Sardara Singh submits that petitioner has joined the investigation, which is still in progress but his custodial interrogation is no more required for the purpose of further investigation.

In view of submission of learned State counsel but without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this petition is allowed and

order dated 24.05.2018 is made absolute till the presentation of challan, subject to the following terms:-

- (i) that the petitioner shall make himself available for interrogation by the police as and when required;
- (ii) that the petitioner shall not, directly or indirectly, make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the accusation against him so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer;
- (iii) that the petitioner shall not leave India without the prior permission of the Court;
- (iv) that the petitioner will seek regular bail on the presentation of challan in Court.

**September 05, 2018**  
*Sachin M.*

**( SURINDER GUPTA )**  
**JUDGE**

***Whether speaking/reasoned:*** ***Yes/No***

***Whether Reportable:*** ***Yes/No***