

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

Criminal Misc. No. M-23571-2018

Date of Decision: 30.07.2018

Ankit Kumar Grover

.. Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Deepak Singh Saini, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

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Inderjit Singh, J.

Petitioner Ankit Kumar Grover has filed this petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.0089 dated 12.05.2018, registered at Police Station Phase 1, District SAS Nagar, Punjab, under Sections 406, 420 and 120-B of Indian Penal Code.

Notice of motion was issued in this case.

Learned State counsel has appeared on behalf of the respondent-State and contested this petition.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel and have gone through the record.

As per the allegation, the present petitioner is an employee of the Builder, namely, Neeraj Kumar. The amount in question had been deposited with the company-Nature Heights Infra Ltd.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner had never dealt with the financial matters of the company. The co-employee/accused in the similar circumstances has already been granted

benefit of anticipatory bail vide order dated 23.04.2018, passed by the Co-ordinate Bench.

In pursuance of the interim order dated 01.06.2018, passed by this Court, the petitioner has already joined the investigation. He is not required for custodial interrogation. No useful purpose would be served by sending the petitioner to custody.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case; without discussing the facts of the case in minute details and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, I find merit in this petition and the same is allowed. The order dated 01.06.2018, granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute. However, the petitioner shall join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and shall abide by the conditions of Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

30.07.2018
Jasmine Kaur

(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes
No