

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

CRM-M-26901-2018
Date of decision:14.08.2018

Sukhdev Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Harjot Singh Bedi, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Simranjeet Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner seeks grant of anticipatory bail in respect of
FIR No. 77 dated 08.06.2018 under Sections 420, 120-B of Indian Penal
Code, 1860, Police Station Ghall Khurd, Distrcit Ferozepur.

The FIR in question was registered at the instance of
Harwinder Singh wherein it is alleged that since the year 2014 he was
having dealings with Gurwant Singh and his brother Sukhdev Singh,
Secretary, who were working jointly as Commission Agent. It is alleged
that Gurwant Singh had taken a blank cheque from him and he later on
came to know that an amount of ₹5,50,000/- had been withdrawn from his

bank account.

Notice of this petition was issued to the State.

Learned State counsel has opposed the bail application.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that in fact he has nothing to do with the Commission Agency run by his brother and that the cheque in question had been issued by the complainant for settlement of his account but subsequently he had filed the present complaint pertaining to the aforesaid cheque in question by roping in the present petitioner, who is working as a Secretary in Cooperative Society in order to pressurize the petitioner and his brother to return the amount in question.

Having heard the learned counsel for the parties and bearing in mind the fact that Commission Agency is being run by the brother of the petitioner who is alleged to have taken blank cheque from complainant and also the fact that the petitioner has already joined investigation, in my opinion, I do not find that it to be a case of custodial interrogation. The petition, as such, is accepted. The interim directions are hereby made absolute. The petitioner shall, however, make himself available as and when directed by the Investigating Officer and would fully cooperate with the investigation.

(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

14.08.2018
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Whether reasoned / speaking? **Yes / No**

Whether reportable? **Yes / No**