

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-29401-2018 (O&M)

Date of decision: 04.12.2018

Maneesh Kumar

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAMENDRA JAIN

PRESENT: Mr. Sandeep S. Majithia, Advocate
for the applicant-petitioner.

Mr. Davinder Bir Singh, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Sanjeev Bishnoi, Advocate
for respondents No. 2, 5 and 7.

RAMENDRA JAIN, J. (ORAL)

Through this petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C., prayer has been made for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, in case FIR No. 214 dated 01.06.2018, registered under Sections 420 and 120-B IPC at Police Station City Barnala, District Barnala.

According to the prosecution, the petitioner along with his 6-7 accomplice, cheated and duped innocent people for around ₹1,32,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Thirty Two Lakhs), on the false pretext of sending them abroad.

Learned counsel *inter alia* contends that the petitioner has falsely been implicated in the instant case. Rather, he himself is victim of

fraud committed by real culprits, namely; Gurpreet Singh S/o Harnek Singh, Gurpreet Singh S/o Major Singh and Sarabjit Kaur W/o Gurpreet Singh S/o Major Singh. Petitioner is ready to join investigation.

On the other hand, learned State counsel vehemently opposed the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner.

Considering the seriousness of allegations levelled against the petitioner, this Court is not inclined to grant the concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, inasmuch, as his custodial interrogation is very much needed to un-earth the entire fraud.

Dismissed.

Since, the main petition is dismissed, therefore, no separate order is required to be passed in CRM-42826-2018, filed by the petitioner for placing certain documents on record and the same also stands dismissed.

December 04, 2018

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**(RAMENDRA JAIN)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether reportable Yes/No