

Sr. No.205

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

CRM-M-42710-2017(O&M)
Date of decision:12.07.2018

Balraj Singh

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondents

Coram: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJBIR SEHRAWAT

Present: Mr. Balbir Singh Jaswal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, SR. DAG, Punjab.

Rajbir Sehrawat, J(Oral)

Present petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No. 169 dated 28.09.2017 for the offences punishable under Section 420/406/465/467/468/471/120-B IPC registered at Police Station Mehatpur, District Jalandhar.

The case against the petitioner is based on the fact that he had fabricated some orders of Revenue Officials and on the basis of those orders, he got revenue entries changed in his name and occupied the government land. When the fact of fabrication of the Order of Revenue Officials was detected, then the present FIR was lodged.

During the pendency of the present petition, the petitioner was granted interim protection against the arrest vide Order dated 13.11.2017 and he was directed to join the investigation. As a result thereof, petitioner joined the investigation. This Court further directed the petitioner to handover the possession back to the State of Punjab vide Order dated 21.11.2017. Still further vide Order dated 12.12.2017, the petitioner was

directed to deposit an amount of Rs. 5,000/- per year per acre for usage of the government land.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that on the directions issued by the Court during the pendency of the present petition, the Order qua return of the possession of the land and deposit of the compensation has been complied with by the petitioner. Petitioner has joined the investigation.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Ram Singh, Police Station Mehatpur, District Jalandhar(Rural) submits that he does not dispute the fact that the petitioner has handed over the possession of the land to the State of Punjab. It is also not disputed that the petitioner has deposited the amount of compensation as per the Orders of this Court and he has joined the investigation.

In view of the above but without commenting on the merits of the case, present petition is allowed. Interim order dated 13.11.2017 is made absolute qua protection of the petitioner against arrest.

12th July, 2018

Shivani Kaushik

[RAJBIR SEHRAWAT]

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned *Yes/No*

Whether Reportable *Yes/No*