

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

Sr. No.210

CRM-M-44244 of 2018

DECIDED ON: November 22, 2018

RUPINDER SINGH

..PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL

Present: Mr. Narinder Kumar Vadehra, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. K.S. Sidhu, DAG, Punjab.

SUDHIR MITTAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in FIR No.154, dated 20.07.2018 under Section 420 IPC and Section 13 of Punjab Prevention of Human Smuggling Act, 2012, registered at P.S. Civil Lines Batala, District Batala (P-1).

Notice of motion was issued as it was argued that there is no specific allegation against the petitioner in the FIR and that the petitioner is only named as an accomplice. The State was directed to apprise the Court regarding the evidence available against the petitioner.

Today, short affidavit dated 22.11.2018 has been filed in Court. The same is taken on record. A copy thereof has been supplied to learned counsel for the petitioner. According to this affidavit, the petitioner is in collusion with the main accused persons. He has taken shop on rent and is

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utilizing the premises for the functioning of a travel agency under the name and style of Alfa Overseas.

Thus, it is apparent that according to the investigation of the police, the petitioner is also involved in the business of charging money for sending people abroad. He is in collusion with the other persons named in the FIR and they have allegedly defrauded a large number of persons. The details have been given in the FIR. Thus, the prayer for anticipatory bail is misconceived.

The petition is accordingly dismissed. Nothing stated herein above shall construed to be an expression of opinion on merits of the case.

November 22, 2018
Ankur

(SUDHIR MITTAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No