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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-47550-2018

Date of decision-26.11.2018

Darshan Kumar

...Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present: Mr. Manbir Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, DAG, Punjab.

MANOJ BAJAJ, J. (Oral)

The petitioner has sought anticipatory bail in FIR No.42 dated 24.08.2018 registered under Sections 409, 420, 467, 468 and 471 of the Indian Penal Code at Police Station Taragarh, District Pathankot.

Learned counsel for the State on instructions from ASI Lakhbir Singh does dispute the fact that the FIR is lodged after a period of five years from the alleged occurrence. Further the amount in question allegedly embezzled already stands deposited.

In view of the above, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case and considering the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court feels that it is not the case where the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is necessary. The present petition is allowed and in case of arrest of the petitioner, he shall be released on bail by the arresting officer. However, the petitioner shall join the investigation as and when required and

abide by the terms and conditions of Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

Disposed off.

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(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

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