

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH.**

CRM-M-6793 of 2018 (O&M)
Date of decision: April 16, 2018

Jatinder Jit Singh @ Tonna

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJAN GUPTA

Present: Mr. Gagandeep Singh Simble, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. A.A. Pathak, Addl. Advocate General, Punjab.

Rajan Gupta, J.

This is a petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. seeking pre-arrest bail in a case registered against the petitioner under Sections 419, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, 120-B IPC at Police Station Kalanaur, District Gurdaspur, vide FIR No.52 dated 23.08.2017.

FIR was registered on the complaint made by Sucha Singh son of Wassan Singh stating that the Manager, Field Officer and the concerned clerk of Allahabad Bank in connivance with each other, had sanctioned loan of Rs.26,30,267/- by mortgaging land measuring 70 Kanals 16 Marlas situated at Village Bhojraj belonging to his father Wassan Singh and the accused had misappropriated the said amount. Allegation against the petitioner is that he impersonated himself as Wassan Singh, father of the complainant. FIR was registered pursuant to an enquiry conducted by Economic Offences Wing, Gurdaspur.

Keeping in view seriousness of allegations, no case for pre-arrest bail is made out. It is evident that petitioner allegedly impersonated as Wassan Singh and procured a loan in connivance with the officials of the bank. All the accused are alleged to have misappropriated the aforesaid amount. FIR in question was registered in August, 2017. Since then, petitioner has been avoiding his arrest. In my considered view, custodial interrogation of the petitioner may be necessary to take the investigation to its logical end. Petition is without any merit and is hereby dismissed.

(RAJAN GUPTA)
JUDGE

April 16, 2018
'Rajpal'

Whether speaking / reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable:

Yes / No