

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

CRM-M-9056 of 2018 (O&M)
Date of decision: March 28, 2018

Yudhvir Singh Janjua

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJAN GUPTA

Present: Mr. Sandeep Arora, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. C.L. Pawar, Senior DAG, 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 384, 170, 506, 120-B/34 IPC at Police Station Phillaur, District Jalandhar, vide FIR No.52 dated 10.2.2018.

FIR was registered on the complaint made by Varinder Kumar, who is running a jeweller's shop in the name and style of M/s Babu Ram and Sons Jewellers at Apra. He received a telephone call from mobile No.8054579345 from some person, who posed himself to be the Income Tax Officer and raised a demand of Rs.3,50,000/- from the complainant to avoid a raid on his shop. On 10.2.2018, the complainant took Rs.2,10,000/- and went to pay the same to that unknown person near Glassi Junction, Jalandhar. He having doubt, also took the police party with him. Co-accused Subhash Joshi came to collect the money, who was arrested by the police. The amount was recovered at the spot. The person, who

impersonated himself as Income Tax Officer, was co-accused Sandeep Kundra, who was arrested on 15.02.2018. Allegation against the petitioner is that he deputed co-accused Subhash Joshi to collect money from the complainant.

Keeping in view nature allegations, I am of the considered view that petitioner is not entitled to concession of anticipatory bail. According to State counsel, petitioner is the main person, at whose instance entire conspiracy was hatched. Thus, 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

March 28, 2018
'Rajpal'

Whether speaking / reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable:

Yes / No