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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **BAIL APPLN. 424/2018 & CRL.M.A. 3340/2018**

ARMAN RAHI

..... Petitioner

Through Mr. Yogesh Swaroop, Mr. K.K.
Kaushik, Advs.

versus

STATE

..... Respondent

Through Mr. Ashish Dutta, APP for State with
IS Jarnail Singh, PS Janakpuri.

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HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE ANU MALHOTRA

ORDER

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08.03.2018

Vide order dated 21.02.2018, when the application was first taken up as a submission was made on behalf of the applicant that the applicant was confined in Rampur Jail from 10.01.2018 to 24.01.2018 to contend that he was thus not involved in the commission of any offence, the details in relation thereto were directed to be placed on record on behalf of the applicant, which have till date not been submitted and it has been submitted on behalf of the applicant that the same have not been traced out.

The status report has been submitted on behalf of the State in terms of the proceedings dated 21.02.2018. The applicant is stated to have joined the investigation but stated to have not co-operated in the same. On behalf of the applicant on the other hand, it is submitted that his signatures were obtained on 4-5 blank papers by the Investigating Agency, which is refuted on behalf of the State.

As per the status report submitted on record and the submissions made in the FIR, the allegations against the applicant are serious and detailed to the effect that he *inter alia* was one of the persons who had cheated 14 persons i.e. the victims, who sought to go for jobs at Singapore whose passports were taken away and that they were duped of a sum of Rs.30,80,000/-.

On behalf of the applicant, it has been submitted that he has allegedly taken only a sum of Rs.97,000/- and that he is willing to return the same, which is refuted on behalf of the State submitting to the effect that the applicant has allegedly received a sum of Rs.11 lakhs from the persons. Apparently custodial interrogation in the instant case would be required.

There is no ground of grant of anticipatory bail and the application is rejected and the interim protection granted vide order dated 21.02.2018 is withdrawn.

ANU MALHOTRA, J

MARCH 08, 2018/MK