

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

**CRM-M-6123-2019 (O&M)
Date of decision : 28.08.2019**

Ranjodh Singh

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. G.S. Dhillon, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Ravinder Rana, Advocate
for the complainant.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

The petitioner has sought anticipatory bail in FIR No.209 dated 07.10.2018 under Sections 420 and 120-B of IPC, Section 24 of the Immigration Act and Section 13 of the Punjab Prevention of Human Smuggling Act, 2002.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contents that the FIR is outcome of a monetary dispute between the parties. The matter was referred to the Mediation & Conciliation Centre of this Court and with the efforts of the mediator, the case has been amicably settled. Learned counsel for the petitioner has referred to the settlement, which is a part of the report of the mediator. A copy of the settlement dated 29.05.2019 is taken on record as annexure A. Learned counsel for the complainant states that the matter has indeed been settled.

Learned counsel for the petitioner also submits that the petitioner had earlier paid a sum of ₹2,50,000/- to the complainant and has paid a sum of ₹2 lakhs today itself. Learned counsel for the petitioner has also handed over six post dated cheques of ₹60,000/- each to the counsel for the complainant. In addition to these cheques, the petitioner shall pay the outstanding amount of ₹2,30,000/- on or before 30.05.2020 in terms of the settlement.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Mool Raj, submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner and the petitioner having joined investigation and not required for custodial interrogation, the order dated 08.02.2019 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

However, the petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. He shall also join investigation as and when called upon to do so.

The petition stands disposed of.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

28.08.2019

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No