

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

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**CRM-M No.7171 of 2019.
Date of Decision: 18.03.2019.**

Harjinder Singh

....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEKHER DHAWAN

Present: Mr. R.K. Arya, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Mr. Ajay Pal Singh Gill, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

Shekher Dhawan, J.

Present petition under Section 438 of the Criminal Procedure Code has been filed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case F.I.R. No.150 dated 20.12.2018 under Sections 420 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code and Section 13 of Punjab Prevention of Human Smuggling Act, 2012, registered at Police Station Dera Baba Nanak, District Batala.

Learned counsel representing the petitioner contended that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case. As per allegations, no amount was received by him and the allegations are that an amount of Rs.7,00,000/- was received by co-accused Parkash Masih, so the petitioner be released on anticipatory bail.

Learned State counsel, while opposing the prayer for bail, contended that the matter is still at the investigation stage. Main accused, Parkash Masih has not been arrested at yet. The total conspiracy involves the present petitioner, who had introduced the complainant with the main accused and presence of the petitioner could be required for effective investigation.

Having considered the submissions made by learned counsel for the parties and the fact that main accused, Parkash Masih has not been arrested at yet and the total conspiracy involves the present petitioner, who had introduced the complainant with the main accused, custodial interrogation of the petitioner is required in the matter for effective investigation, no case is made out for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

Resultantly, the present petition is dismissed.

(SHEKHER DHAWAN)
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Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes/ No

Whether Reportable : Yes/ No