

CRM-M No. 17084 of 2019

Date of decision: 21.05.2019

GURPREET SINGH

...PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWALPresent: Mr. Manish Kumar Singla, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Ms. Ruchika Sabharwal, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Abnash Singh, Advocate
for the complainant.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioners are seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 65 dated 20.03.2019, under Sections 406 and 420 IPC, registered at Police Station Sirhind, District Fatehgarh Sahib.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that allegations in the FIR against the petitioner are that the complainant, who is a Constable in the Punjab Police, had lent Rs. 4 lakh to the petitioner on 01.01.2013, who was to repay the same with interest.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the FIR has been registered after 6 years of the alleged occurrence and even otherwise allegations would not, *prima facie*, amount to offence under Section 406 and 420 IPC.

This Court vide order dated 12.04.2019 had directed the petitioner to join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was to be released on ad-

interim bail to the satisfaction of the Investigating/Arresting Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

The learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Amarjit Singh, has submitted that the petitioner has joined investigation but the money is yet to be recovered.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioners and keeping in view the fact that the petitioner has joined investigation, the order dated 12.04.2019 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.

21.05.2019
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(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether reportable: Yes/No