

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

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CRM-M-36782-2018 (O & M)
Date of Decision:16.01.2019

Munish Kumar

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present: Mr. R.K. Dadwal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Bhupender Beniwal, AAG, Punjab.

MANOJ BAJAJ, J.(ORAL)

By filing the present petition under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, the petitioner has sought anticipatory bail in FIR No.52 dated 03.04.2018, under Sections 420, 120-B of the Indian Penal Code ('IPC' – for short) and Section 24 of the Immigration Act registered at Police Station Machhiwara, District Ludhiana.

On 27.08.2018, this Court had passed the following order:-

“Earlier the petitioner was granted interim bail vide order dated 27.7.2018 by learned Additional Sessions Judge, Ludhiana observing that money has been handed over to Manjit Singh alias Manjinder Singh and Gurmeet Kaur. However, he could not join the investigation.

Thereafter, said order dated 27.7.2018 was withdrawn.

Notice of motion for 16.1.2019.

The petitioner is directed to join the investigation within 7 days and on his doing so, he be released on

interim bail subject to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that in pursuance of the order dated 27.08.2018, the petitioner has joined the investigation.

Learned State counsel on instructions from Constable Harwinder Singh submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation and they are not required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the above, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the interim bail granted by this Court vide order dated 27.08.2018, is made absolute.

The petition stands allowed.

16.01.2019

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(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned: Yes/No
Whether Reportable : Yes/No