

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

**CRM-M No.17665 of 2019 (O&M)
Date of decision : 23.05.2019**

Vishal Gupta

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. Ranjit Saini, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms.Amarjit Kaur Khurana, DAG, Punjab.

AJAY TEWARI, J. (Oral)

This is a petition for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner under Section 438 Cr.P.C. in case FIR No.32 dated 28.11.2018 registered under Sections 7 of PC Act read with Section 120-B IPC at Police Station Vigilance Bureau, Patiala.

Counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner was working as District Manager in Markfed. The allegation against him is that one Sandeep Sharma had demanded and obtained bribe money on his behalf and on behalf of the petitioner. The precise contention of the learned counsel for the petitioner is that against the complainant there were legitimate amounts due and the CD on which reliance is being placed could well be in reference to that legal amount due.

Learned State counsel on instructions from Inspector Paramjit Kaur has accepted that the conversation in the CD is not completely unequivocal.

In the circumstances, I do not deem it appropriate to deny the concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner. Resultantly, the petition is allowed. In the event of arrest of the petitioner, he shall be released on bail to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

The petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 30.05.2019 and on any other date as and when his presence is required.

Since the main case has been decided, the pending criminal miscellaneous application, if any, also stands disposed of.

23.05.2019

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(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable :

Yes/No