

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

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Criminal Misc. No.M-23095 of 2019

Date of decision : 23.07.2019

Prem Kumar

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.. Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. Pradeep Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 16 dated 02.02.2019, under Sections 406, 420 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code; Section 24 of the Immigration Act and Section 13 of the PTPR Act registered at Police Station Division No. 7, Jalandhar, District Jalandhar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations against the petitioner in the FIR are that he had introduced the complainant to his son, who along with his wife, runs an Immigration Company and the complainant had paid money for sending his son to Canada, but instead of Canada, the son of the complainant was sent to Malaysia and Thailand. He also contends that the petitioner has no connection with the Company and has been roped in just being the father of the person who is running the Company. There is no allegation of having received any money by the petitioner. The petitioner is an old person of the age of 70 years and he is not involved in any other case.

This Court, by order dated 20.05.2019, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating/Arresting Officer and 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.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Mohinder Singh, states that the petitioner has joined investigation and is not required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner and keeping in view the fact that the petitioner has joined investigation, the order dated 20.05.2019 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

July 23, 2019
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No