

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

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**CRM-M-26127-2019**

**DATE OF DECISION: 18.09.2019**

**MANOJ KUMAR MALHOTRA**

**... Petitioner(s)**

***Versus***

**STATE OF PUNJAB**

**... Respondent(s)**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL**

Present: Mr. B.S. Jaswal, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. N.K. Banka, DAG, Punjab.

**ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)**

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.70 dated 09.05.2019, under Sections 409 & 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Mehta, District Amritsar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is not named in the FIR wherein it is alleged that the co-accused Rajesh Kumar who is Cashier had taken money from the complainant but not deposited the same in his account.

A coordinate Bench of this Court, by the order dated 03.06.2019, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating 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 Baldev Singh, states that the petitioner has joined investigation and is not required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the submissions of the learned counsel for the petitioner and the petitioner having joined investigation, the order dated 03.06.2019 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.

18.09.2019

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)  
JUDGE

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