

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

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Criminal Misc. No.M-26130 of 2019

Date of decision : 14.08.2019

Gurpreet Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.. Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- None for the petitioner.

ASI Darshan Singh, PS Sadar Dhuri, District Sangrur.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.108 dated 26.04.2019 under Section 420 IPC, registered at Police Station Sadar Dhuri, District Sangrur.

On the last date of hearing, learned counsel for the petitioner had contended that there is a monetary dispute between the parties due to which the petitioner has been falsely implicated. He had also submitted that had the cheque been issued by the petitioner, he would have mentioned an amount of Rs.4 lacs which as per the complaint is due from the petitioner. There would thus be no rationale for entering amount of Rs.7,46,000/-. It is apparent that the allegations against the petitioner are that he has not made the payment after delivery of milk by the complainant. The petitioner is running a milk centre. It is also stated in the petition that the petitioner had issued a cheque for an amount of Rs.7,46,000/- which bore signature of one Ashwinder Singh in discharge of his liability but the same was dishonoured. The trial Court had granted him interim bail and subsequently the petition was dismissed as the cheque issued by the petitioner bore somebody else's signature.

A Coordinate Bench of this Court, by the order dated 10.06.2019, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer/Arresting Officer and on his doing so, he was to be released on *ad interim* bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer/Arresting Officer.

ASI Darshan Singh, who is present in Court, states that although the petitioner has joined investigation in terms of the previous order of this Court but he has not disclosed as to who had signed the cheque. He, however, contends that a complaint under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act against the petitioner has been filed for dishonour of the cheque.

In view of the allegations against the petitioner pointing to a monetary dispute and he having joined investigation, the order dated 10.06.2019 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.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

August 14, 2018
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No