

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

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CRM-M-36297-2019

Date of decision : 16.11.2019

Narbir

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.. Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. Balram Prashar, Advocate for
Mr. Jagmohan Ghumman, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. D.R. Singla, DAG, Haryana.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 854 dated 24.06.2019, under Section 135 of the Electricity Act, 2003, registered at Police Station Irrigation and Power, District Gurugram.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is only a gardener in the premises which are not owned by him. He also contends that there is no electricity bill issued in the name of the petitioner nor the electricity connection is in the name of the petitioner. The allegations in the FIR are that he has committed theft of electricity, which has caused loss for a sum of ₹8,33,659/- to the Nigam. The petitioner is not involved in any other case.

This Court, by order dated 04.10.2019, 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 Devender 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 the petitioner having joined investigation and not required for custodial interrogation, the order dated 04.10.2019 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

November 16, 2019

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No