

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

CRM-M-46432-2018 (O&M)

Date of decision : 28.08.2019

Satish Mandaokar

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL**

Present: Mr. O.P. Goyal, Sr. Advocate with  
Mr. Piyush Aggarwal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Bhupender Beniwal, AAG, Punjab alongwith  
ASI Avtar Singh.

Mr. Bipan Ghai, Sr. Advocate with  
Mr. Naveen, Advocate for respondent No.2.

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**ANIL KSHETARPAL, J. (ORAL)**

Prayer in the present petition is to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No.0086 dated 06.06.2018 registered under Sections 406, 420 of the Indian Penal Code at Police Station Gobindgarh Mandi, District Fatehgarh Sahib.

As per the case of the prosecution, first informant and the accused were having business relationship for a period of 10 years. It is stated by the first informant that he used to give goods on credit to the accused. It is further case of the prosecution that in order to discharge liability, accused had used a cheque of ₹1,90,00,000/- which on presentation

was dishonoured. It is further case of the prosecution that after dishonour, in spite of promise made, accused has not paid the amount whereas he has utilized the goods which have been supplied.

On 17.10.2018, while noticing the contention of the learned Senior Counsel for the petitioner, he was granted interim protection and directed to join investigation. Investigating Officer present in the Court admits that the petitioner has already joined investigation. Entire case of the prosecution is based on documents. There are no allegations that the petitioner has not answered any significant question or cooperated during investigation.

At this stage, it would not be appropriate for this Court to make any comments on the merits of the case.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case, interim protection granted on 17.10.2018 is made absolute.

Accordingly, the present petition is allowed.

**28.08.2019**

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**(ANIL KSHETARPAL)  
JUDGE**

**Whether speaking/reasoned:-                      Yes/No**

**Whether reportable:-                                      Yes/No**