

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

CRM-M-14667-2020 (O&M)

Date of decision : 17.06.2020

Rajit Mehra

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr. A.S. Bhatti, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Surinder Pal Singh Tinna, Additional A.G. Punjab.

Mr. Paramjit Singh, Advocate for the first informant.

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J. (ORAL)

On 10.06.2020, following order was passed by this Court:-

“The petitioner prays for grant of pre-arrest bail in a criminal case arising from FIR No.71 dated 13.3.2020 registered under Sections 406, 420, 120-B IPC at Police Station Division No.6, Ludhiana Police District Commissionerate, Ludhiana, District Ludhiana.

As per the case of the prosecution, petitioner alongwith his wife had taken a loan of Rs.1 crore 15 lacs from the first informant in the year 2008 with a promise to return the amount within two years. Certain post dated cheques were issued for repayment of the loan. It is alleged that the loan has not been repaid although fresh cheques have been issued.

Admittedly, the alleged cheques issued have not been

presented for encashment. Prima facie it is a civil dispute.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. S.P.S. Tinna, Addl.AG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State of Punjab and prays for time to seek instructions.

Mr. Paramjeet Singh, Advocate accepts notice on behalf of the first informant.

Adjourned to 16.6.2020.

In the meantime, in the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim bail subject to furnishing personal bonds and surety to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. However, the petitioner shall join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and shall abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.”

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Gurdev Lal, submitted that the petitioner has joined investigation, cooperated and not required for further custodial interrogation, at this stage.

In view thereof, order dated 10.06.2020 passed by this Court is made absolute.

Accordingly, the present petition is allowed.

17.06.2020

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**(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:- Yes/No

Whether reportable:- Yes/No