

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

CRM-M-15455-2020

Date of Decision: 18.11.2020

MANJEET SINGH DHUNNA

..... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Vivek Salathia, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. B.S. Sewak, Addl. A.G., Punjab

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

1. This is a petition for anticipatory bail filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. on behalf of the petitioner in case FIR No.383, dated 17.08.2016 under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B of the IPC registered at Police Station Civil Lines, Amritsar.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that at this stage his client is not in a position to pay off the entire dues as demanded by the complainant-bank. Such submission is in direct contradiction to the previous submission made on behalf of the petitioner on 19th June, 2020, in view of which interim bail was granted to him to enable him to work out the modalities of their final settlement. It further transpires that the petitioner has been declared Proclaimed Offender on 29th September, 2018 which is also mentioned in the impugned order (Annexure P-8) passed by the Ld. Additional Sessions Judge, Amritsar.

3. In such circumstances this Court has no hesitation in coming to the conclusion that the petitioner does not deserve any further indulgence

as he has been unable to follow up on the submission made on his behalf,

whereupon interim protection was granted to him.

4. In response to a specific query of the Court as to whether the petitioner is willing to handover custody of the disputed vehicle to the complainant-Bank for which the loan was actually taken by him, the submission is that the vehicle in question was handed over to the Bank as way back in the year 2013, but the petitioner has no record or proof whatsoever to support this claim whereas according to the FIR, he is alleged to have misappropriated/sold the said vehicle which was hypothecated with the Bank.

5. For the aforesaid reasons, this Court finds no merit in the bail petition in its totality. The same is therefore, dismissed.

6. The interim bail granted to him, accordingly, stands revoked.

18.11.2020

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
2. Whether reportable: Yes/No