

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-21040-2020
Decided on: 30.07.2020

Roopjeet Saggar

. . . Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

. . . Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Brijeshwar Singh Bhalla, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J.

Due to the outbreak of pandemic COVID-19, the instant case is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

This present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking modification of the order dated 17th July, 2020 (Annexure P-5), passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Moga, vide which, the application filed by the petitioner seeking permission to go abroad has been allowed with the direction to visit abroad from 17th July, 2020 to 30.10.2020 subject to furnishing bank guarantee in the sum of Rs. 7.00 lakhs as well as deposit of cash amount of Rs. 3.00 lakhs in the Court, which would be refunded to him on his return to India.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been going abroad frequently after seeking permission from the learned Courts below and has never violated any of the conditions imposed upon him by the Courts concerned. However, due to the prevailing conditions on account of the outbreak of COVID-19, the business of the petitioner had taken a beating and hence, it was not possible for him to furnish the amount of Rs. 3.00 lakhs in cash, as directed by the Court below. A prayer has

therefore been made that the amount of bank guarantee as well as the deposit of cash be reduced.

Heard.

This Court finds no reason to reduce the amount of bank guarantee of Rs. 7.00 lakhs. However, the amount of Rs. 3.00 lakhs, which he has been ordered to deposit in cash in the Court, is reduced to Rs. 1,75,000/-. The petitioner would deposit Rs. 1,75,000/- in cash in the Court along with a bank guarantee of Rs. 7.00 lakhs, as imposed by the Court below. The remaining terms & conditions shall remain the same as imposed by the Court below.

The petition stands disposed off accordingly.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

July 30, 2020

J.Ram

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No