

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

**CRM-M-22569 of 2020 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 28.08.2020**

Sachin Verma

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA

Present: Mr. Vikram Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Deepak Kumar Gollen, Advocate
for the complainant.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J. (ORAL)

This case has been taken up through Video Conferencing via Webex facility in the light of Pandemic Covid-19 situation and as per instructions.

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Application is allowed as prayed for. The appended affidavit of the petitioner dated 26.08.2020 is taken on record.

Application disposed of.

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The instant petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. seeking concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 435 dated 31.12.2019 under Sections 406, 420 IPC, registered at Police Station Nissing, District Karnal.

Counsel has been heard at length.

The allegations in nutshell are that the complainant party has been duped of a sum of Rs. 15 lakhs approximately by the petitioner on the pretext of arranging a visa/ticket for the complainant to send him abroad.

On a previous date of hearing, contention raised by counsel was that there were previous business dealings between the petitioner and the complainant party and it is only on account of some dispute that has arisen out of such dealings that false allegations have been levelled.

Admittedly, the amount of Rs. 15 lakhs approximately has been credited in the account of the petitioner by the complainant party on different dates between the months of July to September, 2019.

On 13.08.2020, hearing had been deferred, so as to enable the counsel to place on record sufficient material/documents to substantiate that there were previous business dealings and exchange of money prior to July, 2019.

Even though an affidavit dated 26.08.2020 of the petitioner has been placed on record but the contents thereof do not show any previous business dealings with the complainant party.

A huge sum of Rs. 15 lakhs approximately has been credited in the account of the petitioner. The allegations are serious i.e. of having duped the complainant of such a large sum of money on the pretext of sending him abroad. These kind of cases are on the rise these days.

This is a matter which would require a deep and thorough probe and which may well entail the custodial interrogation of the petitioner.

For the reasons recorded above, prayer in the instant petition for grant of pre-arrest bail is declined.

Petition dismissed.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

28.08.2020

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes
Whether reportable : No