

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

CRM M- 36702 of 2020

Date of Decision: 9.11.2020

Navjot Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

... Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK KUMAR VERMA

Present: Mr.Sunil K. Tandon, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr.Gagandeep Singh Chhina, AAG, Haryana

Ashok Kumar Verma, J. (Oral)

The matter is being taken up through Video Conferencing/WhatsApp due to pandemic of COVID-19.

This petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No.16 dated 2.8.2020 under Sections 420, 406, 506, 120-B of IPC registered at P.S. Sector 17, HUDA, Jagadhri.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. No amount has been received by the petitioner. He is alleged to have signed as witness on the endorsement receiving part payment by the co-accused who are his father and uncle.

On the other hand, learned counsel for the State submits that the petitioner in connivance with the other co-accused hatched a criminal conspiracy and induced the complainant to enter into an agreement for sale of the property in question having knowledge that civil court at Ambala had passed an order dated 3.11.2014 restraining the alienation of the said property. The accused received ₹ 55 lakhs as earnest money in cash at the

payment i.e. ₹ 1,50,000/- through cheque which was encashed by the petitioner by depositing the same with his bank account and ₹ 1,00,000/- in cash. The petitioner was signatory as witness to the said writing qua receiving of ₹ 2,50,000/-. Learned counsel for the state submits that the amount is yet to be recovered from the petitioner for which custodial interrogation is required.

In view of the above and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, I am of the view that the petitioner is not entitled to the concession of anticipatory bail. The offence is serious in nature for which custodial interrogation is required. Accordingly, the petition is dismissed.

(ASHOK KUMAR VERMA)
JUDGE

9.11.2020
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Whether speaking/reasoned

Ye/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No