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

**CRM-M No.41939 of 2019**

**Date of Decision: 23.01.2020**

**Kulwinder Singh**

**.....Petitioner**

**Vs**

**State of Punjab**

**.....Respondent**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ MOHAN SINGH**

Present:Mr. Deepinder Brar. Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. J.S. Ghumman, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Parminder Singh-I, Advocate  
for the complainant.

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**RAJ MOHAN SINGH, J. (Oral)**

Prayer is for grant of anticipatory bail in case bearing FIR No.75 dated 30.08.2019, registered under Section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act at Police Station SGN Dev Thermal Plant, Bathinda.

On 06.11.2019, following order was passed:-

*"This is a petition for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.75 dated 30.08.2019 registered under Section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act at Police Station, S.G.N. Dev Thermal Plant, Bathinda.*

*The allegation against the petitioner is that he accepted an amount of Rs.5,80,000/- from one Ranjit Singh in order to exonerate one Baltej Singh who was an acquaintance of Ranjit Singh in a case under the NDPS Act registered against him.*

*Status report by way of affidavit has been filed. In the said status report, it is stated that during the investigation, however, Ranjit Singh has got in his statement recorded under Section 161*

*Cr.P.C. and has denied that he ever paid the amount as alleged in the petition. He also stated that the petitioner had not accepted illegal gratification.*

*Adjourned to 23.01.2020.*

*Meanwhile, in the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim anticipatory bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting/ Investigating Officer, subject to the conditions provided under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. The petitioner is also directed to join the investigation and cooperate with the Investigating Agency, as and when required.”*

Learned State counsel on instructions from S.I. Gurdas Singh submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is no more required for any further investigation.

Learned counsel for the complainant however opposed the prayer on the ground that statement made by Ranjit Singh is deceptive and is result of collusion.

Be that as it may, in view of statement made by learned State counsel on instructions from SI Gurdas Singh, order dated 06.11.2019 is made absolute. However, petitioner shall keep on joining the investigation as and when required to do so and also abide by the conditions as envisaged under Sections 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Petition stands disposed of.

23.01.2020

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(RAJ MOHAN SINGH)  
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned  
Whether reportable

Yes/No  
Yes/No