

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

CRM-M-72-2021

Date of decision: 24.03.2021

Gurminder Singh and another**...Petitioners****Versus****U.T., Chandigarh****...Respondent****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN**

Present:- Mr. Pratham Sethi, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. A. M. Punchhi, Public Prosecutor
U.T., Chandigarh.

Mr. Ashish Gupta, Advocate
for the complainant.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners in FIR No. 0103 dated 20.11.2020, registered under Sections 420 and 120-B of the IPC at Police Station North, Chandigarh.

The operative part of the order dated 06.01.2021, vide which the petitioners have been granted interim bail, is reproduced below:

“Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners are ready to settle the dispute with complainant Harjap Singh and in order to show their *bona fide*, the petitioners have already got prepared a demand draft of Rs. 2 Lakh, dated 19.12.2020 (Annexure P-8).

Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that aforesaid demand draft will be handed over to complainant without any delay.

It is further submitted that the petitioners will explore the possibility of settling the dispute with the

complainant.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Gagandeep S. Wasu, Addl. P. P., Chandigarh and Mr. Ashish Gupta, who are also appearing through video conferencing, accept notice on behalf of U.T., Chandigarh and complainant, respectively.

Learned counsel for the complainant submits that the petitioners have approached complainant to settle the dispute for a total sum of Rs. 6 Lakh.

List again on 24.03.2021.

Meanwhile, in the event of arrest, the petitioners be released on interim bail subject to their furnishing personal bonds and surety to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. However, the petitioners shall join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and shall abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

In the meantime, the petitioners will hand over the aforesaid demand draft to learned counsel for the complainant within a period of three days from today and will also explore the possibility of making some more payment before the next date of hearing. ”

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners, in pursuance to the order dated 06.01.2021, have already appeared before the SHO/Investigating Officer and have joined the investigation. It is further submitted that in pursuance to aforesaid order, the petitioners have already paid an amount of Rs. 2 Lakh to the complainant, by way of a demand draft.

Learned senior standing counsel, appearing for the U.T., Chandigarh, assisted by learned counsel for the complainant, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, has not disputed the factual position and submits that the petitioners have joined the investigation and are no more

required for any further investigation.

In view of the above, the petition is allowed and the interim bail granted to the petitioners, vide order dated 06.01.2021, is made absolute subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

24.03.2021

Waseem Ansari

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No