

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

CRM-M-15707-2021

Date of Decision: 15.04.2021

Chandpal Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Ms. Satinder Kaur, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Gurmeet Singh, AAG, Haryana.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)

Matter has been taken up through video conferencing via Webex facility in the light of the Pandemic Covid-19 situation and as per instructions.

The petition has been filed by the petitioner praying for the pre-arrest bail in FIR No.575 dated 21.12.2020 registered under Sections 406 and 420 of the Indian Penal Code (Section 406 IPC was deleted and Sections 407, 468, 420, 506, 471, 120-B & 506 of IPC were enhanced) at Police Station City Jind, District Jind.

Vide order dated 08.04.2021, this Court issued notice of motion. Today, in pursuance to the same, a short reply by way of an affidavit of Jitender Singh, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Jind has been placed on record.

From the perusal of the same, it is evident that there are five accused in the present FIR out of which only one of the co-accused namely Kulvir is on interim bail. So far the present petitioner is concerned, the

allegations against him is that he was the driver of the Truck bearing No.RJ-32GB-5718. The allegations in FIR are that paddy and bardana worth Rs.22 lakh was misappropriated by the accused in connivance with the co-accused.

Learned counsel for the State has submitted that the report under Section 173(2) Cr.P.C. has been filed only against accused Beant Singh and the investigation would be hampered in case the petitioner is enlarged by allowing this anticipatory bail. The recovery is also yet to be effected.

In the facts and circumstances of the case, I am of the opinion that this is not a fit case for granting the pre-arrest bail to the petitioner.

Petition is accordingly dismissed.

(**RAJESH BHARDWAJ**)
JUDGE

15.04.2021
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Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes/No
Whether reportable :	Yes/No