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

CRM-M No.17984 of 2021

Date of Decision:18.08.2021

Kulbir Singh

.....Petitioner

Vs

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ MOHAN SINGH

Present:Mr.D.S Gandhi, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Amar Ashok Pathak, Addl, AG, Punjab.

RAJ MOHAN SINGH, J. (Oral)

The case has been taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

Petitioner seeks grant of anticipatory bail under Section 438 Cr.P.C in case bearing FIR No.38 dated 15.03.2021 registered under Sections 420, 465, 466, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B IPC, at Police Station Goindwal Sahib, Tarn Taran.

On 17.05.2021, following order was passed:-

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

Petitioner is a stamp vendor.

The instant petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C.seeking concession of pre-arrest bail in FIR No.38 dated 15.03.2021 under Sections 420, 465, 466, 467, 468 and 471 IPC, registered at Police Station Goindwal Sahib, Tarn Taran, came up for hearing before the Co-ordinate Bench on 29.04.2021 wherein the categoric contention of the counsel had been noticed that the stamp paper alleged to have been

used by one Avtar Singh was sold on 29.12.2020 and that the petitioner had himself purchased such paper from the Government Treasury on 14.12.2020 and as such it is not a case where the petitioner had acted in conspiracy by antedating any stamp paper.

Reply on such aspect was directed to be filed by the State of Punjab.

Mr. H.S. Multani, AAG, Punjab, admits that in the short reply that has been filed on behalf of the State of Punjab, the contention raised on behalf of the petitioner in the notice of motion order has not been dealt with.

List on 18.08.2021 for further consideration.

In the meanwhile, petitioner is directed to join investigation. In the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim bail subject to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. The petitioner shall join investigation as and when called upon to do so and he shall remain bound by the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

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Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of the order dated 17.05.2021, petitioner has joined the investigation to the entire satisfaction of the Investigating Officer.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Lakhwinder Singh admits the aforesaid fact and submits that the petitioner is no more required for further investigation in the case.

In view of aforesaid factual position, the interim order dated 17.05.2021 is made absolute. Petitioner shall keep on joining the investigation as and when required to do so and he shall abide by the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2)

Cr.P.C.

Petition stands disposed of.

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Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No