

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

(Sr. No. 204)

CRM-M No. 21221 of 2021

Date of decision : 09.12.2021

Gurpreet Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present : Mr. Sandeep Arora, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Rashmi Attri, AAG, Punjab.

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DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for the grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No. 76 dated 05.04.2021 registered under Sections 420/120-B IPC and Section 13 of the Punjab Travel Professionals (Regulation) Act, 2014 at Police Station City Phagwara, district Kapurthala.

On 27.05.2021, this Court had passed the following order : -

“The matter has been taken up through video conferencing.

Learned counsel for the petitioner inter alia contends that the petitioner who is a young boy aged 24 years has been falsely implicated in this case; the petitioner's uncle and aunt namely Sukhbir Singh and Mandeep Kumari who were living in Poland, promised to get immigrated the petitioner as also the complainant to Poland and for that reason demanded payments from the complainant; since Sukhbir Singh and Mandeep Kumari did not have any bank account in India, they asked the

complainant to deposit the amount in petitioner's account; the amount deposited by the complainant in the petitioner's account was transferred by him to the account of Mandeep Kumari; the petitioner's visa to Poland was also rejected and therefore he was also a victim at the hands of Sukhbir Singh and Mandeep Kumari; there is no other criminal case against the petitioner; the petitioner is not a travel agent and is working as a helper at a chemist shop in Ludhiana and that the petitioner is also ready and willing to join the investigation as and when called by the investigating agency.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Amit Mehta, Senior DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

For arguments, adjourned to 10.09.2021.

Before the adjourned date, the State shall file a status report.

In the meanwhile subject to the petitioner's joining investigation as and when called by the investigating agency as also abiding by the other conditions provided under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C, in the event of his arrest in FIR No.76 dated 05.04.2021 under Sections 420, 120-B IPC and Section 13 of Punjab Travel Professionals (Regulation) Act, 2014 registered at Police Station City Phagwara, district Kapurthala, he shall be released on ad interim anticipatory bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer.”

Learned State counsel submits that under the afore-quoted order passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined the investigation; cooperated with the investigating agency and that his custodial interrogation is not required by the State.

In view of the above, the interim order of this Court dated

27.05.2021 granting ad interim anticipatory bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

09.12.2021
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(DEEPAK SIBAL)
JUDGE

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