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

**CRM-M-37018-2018
Date of decision: 02.11.2021**

GURPINDER SINGH

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present:- None for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

(Through Video Conferencing)

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

The petitioner prays for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No. 0139 dated 16.06.2018, registered under Sections Sections 420 and 120-B of the IPC (added later on) read with Section 13 of the Punjab Prevention of Human Smuggling Act with at Police Station Civil Lines, Patiala, District Patiala, Punjab.

The operative part of the order dated 28.08.2018, vide which the petitioner has been granted interim bail, is reproduced below:

“ Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that parties are related to each other. There was some loan transaction, which has in fact been paid and now levelling the allegation that petitioner is a travel agent, complainant has lodged this false FIR.

Notice of motion for 31.10.2018 ”

Learned State counsel submits that the petitioner, in pursuance to the order dated 28.08.2018, has already appeared before the SHO/Investigating Officer and has joined the investigation way back in 2018 and this petition is pending as the case was referred to the Mediator and is no more required for any further investigation.

In view of the above, the petition is allowed and the interim bail granted to the petitioner, vide order dated 28.08.2018, is made absolute subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

02.11.2021
Chetan Thakur

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No