

CRM-M-39177-2021

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

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Date of decision: 21.09.2021

Sahil Arora

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Munish Puri, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

Through this second petition, the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case bearing FIR No.66 dated 01.05.2021, registered at Police Station Division No.2, District Pathankot, under Section 420 IPC.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations of committing fraud with the complainant on the pretext of providing employment to his daughter, are an afterthought and the present FIR has been lodged to extract money from the petitioner. He further contends that the complainant is a habitual offender and has created the false evidence and has made such like complaints against other persons too. In fact, the petitioner borrowed an amount of Rs.3,90,000/- from the complainant in June, 2019 and he being a financier had obtained blank cheques and signed papers from the petitioner. Earlier, the petitioner had approached this Court by way of CRWP-2689-2021 which was disposed of by a

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Coordinate Bench, vide order dated 18.03.2021, by directing respondent No.2-Senior Superintendent of Police, Pathankot, to look into and decide the representation dated 04.03.2021.

I have heard the learned counsel for the petitioner.

It is the second petition filed by the petitioner, seeking anticipatory bail. The earlier petition i.e. CRM-M-22221-2021, filed by the petitioner, was dismissed as withdrawn on 16.08.2021, at that stage.

As per the prosecution version, the petitioner had demanded Rs.45 lakh from the complainant on the pretext of providing a job to his daughter, but the matter was finally settled at Rs.20,50,000/-; that the complainant gave Rs.10 lakh in cash to the petitioner on 15.06.2019; transferred Rs.2,50,000/- on 18.07.2019 through RTGS to the bank account of the petitioner; gave Rs.7 lakh in cash to the petitioner and also transferred Rs.1,50,000/- to the bank account of the petitioner.

There are serious allegations against the petitioner that the petitioner has allegedly duped the complainant of Rs.20,50,000/- with a promise of providing the job to his daughter.

Keeping in view the allegations against the petitioner, this Court finds that the petitioner is required for custodial interrogation.

Therefore, finding no merit in the present petition, the same is dismissed.

21.09.2021

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(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes/No
Yes/No