

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

202(2)

**CRM-M-37436-2020
Decided on : 22.02.2021**

Kuldeep Kumar

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

PRESENT: Mr. Vishal Aggarwal, Advocate,
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Mohit Vashishat, Advocate and
Mr. Sahil Vashishat, Advocate
for the complainant.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C., for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, in case FIR No. 114, dated 15.08.2020, under Sections 406, 420 IPC and Section 13 of the Punjab Travel Professionals (Regulation) Act, 2014 and Section 24 of the Emigration Act, 1983, registered at Police Station Rahon, District SBS Nagar.

Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner has handed over a demand draft bearing No. "931193", dated 20.02.2021, for a sum of Rs. 80,000/-, to the learned counsel for the complainant in Court today, in compliance of the order dated 16th November, 2020, of this Court. Photocopy of the said demand draft is taken on record, subject to all just exceptions.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegations against the present petitioner was of duping the complainant of Rs.80,000/-, which now as per the order dated 16th November, 2020, of this Court, stands returned to the complainant. He further states that pursuant to order dated 16th

November, 2020, passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined the

investigation as well.

Learned State counsel has also fairly conceded that the allegations against the petitioner was of luring and duping the complainant of Rs. 80,000/- and even in the reply filed by the State, it has been specifically stated therein that the said amount was handed over to the petitioner for purchasing the tickets for his foreign travel. He, however, on instructions submits that since the petitioner has joined investigation and returned a sum of Rs.80,000/- to the complainant in Court today, therefore, he is no longer required for further interrogation.

In view of the above, the petition is allowed and interim order dated 16th November, 2020, is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

February 22, 2021

J.Ram

Whether speaking/reasoned: *Yes/No*

Whether Reportable: *Yes/No*