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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.43664 of 2020
Date of Decision: 27.04.2021

HARNEK SINGH

.....Petitioner

Vs

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ MOHAN SINGH

Present: Mr. Karanjit Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Samina Dhir, D.A.G., Punjab.

RAJ MOHAN SINGH, J. (Oral)

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

Petitioner seeks grant of anticipatory bail in case bearing FIR No.51 dated 08.05.2018 registered under Sections 420, 408, 467, 468, 471 IPC at Police Station B. Division, Amritsar District Amritsar.

Notice of motion was issued on 23.12.2020 after noticing the fact that the petitioner was ready to deposit an amount of Rs.3,17,000/- allegedly collected from various customers in the Bank. Petitioner undertook to deposit the money in the accounts of various customers within a specified time. Interim bail was granted to the petitioner. Thereafter,

petitioner sought more time to do the needful and it was granted vide order dated 22.02.2021. It was made clear that in case the petitioner fails to deposit the amount on or before the date fixed, the interim protection shall be vacated. Thereafter vide order dated 07.04.2021, further time was given to the petitioner to comply with the order dated 23.12.2020.

Today, learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that out of total amount of Rs.3,17,000/-, the petitioner has already deposited an amount of Rs.2,36,000/- in the accounts of five customers. However, the remaining amount of Rs.81,000/- was to be deposited in the accounts of Salil Mahajan and Manjit Singh, who are not traceable and their account numbers are not known to the petitioner.

Petitioner has shown his willingness to deposit the amount of Rs.81,000/- by way of demand draft in the names of Salil Mahajan and Manjit Singh with the Investigating Officer within seven days.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Manjit Singh submitted that the petitioner has joined the investigation to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer.

In view of aforesaid factual position, the interim order dated 23.12.2020 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.

In case the demand drafts of Rs.81,000/- in the names of Salil Mahajan and Manjit Singh are not handed over to the Investigating Officer within seven days, the petition for anticipatory bail shall be deemed to be dismissed.

In view of above, the petition stands disposed of.

April 27, 2021
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(RAJ MOHAN SINGH)
JUDGE

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