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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-52530-2021 (O&M)
Date of decision: 07.02.2022

Arun Kumar Gupta @ Ansh

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. H.S. Dhindsa, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this 2nd petition is for grant of regular bail in FIR No.111 dated 13.07.2019 under Sections 420 & 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station City-1, Mansa, District Mansa; earlier one was dismissed on 16.09.2021.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that FIR was registered on a complaint given by Budh Ram Sharma with the allegations that he has been allured by agents of the insurance company for giving him extra bonus for revival of his policies, which have been lapsed. It is further stated in FIR that against petitioner Arun Kumar Gupta @ Ansh, it is stated that he along with Gagandeep Singh had, in fact, allured the complainant by giving phone calls to

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pay them the amount for the aforesaid purpose. It is further submitted that the petitioner is in custody since 02.03.2021; offences are triable by the Court of Magistrate and it will take long time in conclusion of the trial. It is also submitted that one of his co-accused namely Gagandeep Singh @ Gagan was granted the concession of anticipatory bail by this Court vide order dated 05.03.2020 passed in CRM-M-40544-2019.

Learned State counsel, on the basis of custody certificate dated 06.02.2022 filed in the Court today, has not disputed the factual position, however, it is submitted that the petitioner is involved in other cases of similar nature, but is on bail.

After hearing learned counsel for the parties, without commenting anything on merits of the case and considering the fact that the petitioner is in custody for the last 11 months and 11 days; investigation is complete; offences are triable by the Court of Magistrate and till date, out of total 19 prosecution witnesses, none has been examined, this petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail subject to furnishing his bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

Petition is disposed of.

[ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN]
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No