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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.2293 of 2023 (O&M)

Date of decision: 24.01.2023

Rajnish Jain

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. S.S. Toor, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ayush Sarna, AAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN J. (Oral)

This is the 2nd petition for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No.11 dated 16.01.2020 registered under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471, 120-B IPC at Police Station City Jagran District Ludhiana.

Th earlier one was dismissed on 14.01.2022, by passing the following order in CRM-M-11611-2020:-

“Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No. 0011 dated 16.01.2020, registered under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471, 120-B of the IPC at Police Station City Jagraon.

At the very outset, learned State counsel, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, submits that the petitioner has not joined the investigation despite the fact that interim protection was granted on 19.03.2020 and on 19.07.2021, the petitioner was directed to join investigation.

There is no representation on behalf of the petitioner.

In view of the above, the present petition is dismissed.”

This petition has been filed again after one year alleging that due to COVID-19 situation, the petitioner could not join the investigation.

Be whatsoever, the FIR pertains to the year 2020 and a period of 03 years has already lapsed and on account of non-joining of the petitioner, the investigation is still pending.

Dismissed.

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

24.01.2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No