

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

CRM-M-7134-2023

Date of Decision: February 09, 2023

Naresh Kumar

...Petitioner

Versus

M/s Amar Hatchery

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present:- Mr. Raghav Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

DEEPAK GUPTA, J.(Oral)

By way of impugned order dated 11.01.2023 (Annexure P-3), petitioner was allowed bail by the Appellate Court in criminal appeal No.11 of 2023, which has been filed against the conviction under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881. By way of this order, petitioner was directed to deposit 20% of the compensation amount in the Court within a period of one month.

Petitioner has challenged the impugned order to be illegal submitting that Section 148 contains the word 'may' revealing that it is not mandatory.

There is no ground to set aside the impugned order. However, as requested by the counsel for the petitioner, time is extended so as to comply with the direction contained in the order dated 11.01.2023 and the petitioner has to comply with the said order up to 31.03.2023.

Disposed of.

February 09, 2023

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(DEEPAK GUPTA)

JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No