

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.14601 of 2023
Date of decision: 10th May, 2023

Rakesh Kumar Master

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. S.K. Jindal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramdeep Pratap Singh, Sr. DAG, Punjab
for the respondent/State.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking the concession of bail under Section 438 Cr.P.C. in case FIR No.21 dated 16.02.2023 under Sections 420 and 120-B of the IPC registered at Police Station Joga, District Mansa.

Vide order dated 22.03.2023, the petitioner had been granted concession of interim bail in the following terms:-

“Learned counsel for the petitioner inter alia contends that the petitioner himself had been defrauded by main accused Jaswant Singh who was running Mandril Token Company. Learned counsel submits that the only allegation levelled against the petitioner is that he introduced the complainant with the main accused and it was at his behest that the complainant invested an amount of about ₹ 54 lakhs in the Mandril Token Company which

also included ₹ 2 lakhs which had been paid to the main accused through the petitioner. He further submits that the petitioner is ready to join investigation and cooperate with the investigating agency.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of the order dated 22.03.2023, the petitioner has joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency.

Learned State counsel, on instructions, does not dispute the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency. He on further instructions submits that the petitioner is not required for further investigation much less for his custodial interrogation.

In the circumstances, the petition is allowed and the interim order dated 22.03.2023 is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. Needless to say, in case the petitioner misuses the concession of bail granted to him, the State would be at liberty to seek cancellation of the bail granted to him.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

May 10, 2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No