

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

(215/2)

CRM-M-17994 of 2023
DATE OF DECISION:-18.05.2023

Amit Jain

...Petitioner

vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

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

Mr. Amit Shukla, AAG, Punjab.

HARKESH MANUJA, J.

By way of present petition filed under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, petitioner prays for grant of pre-arrest bail in case FIR No.44 dated 01.03.2023 under Sections 406, 420 and 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Kotwali Patiala, Patiala.

This Court, while issuing notice of motion on 17.04.2023, passed the following order:

“Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* submits that the petitioner merely, happened to be an agent of the finance company, to which, the amount was directly deposited by the complainant through cheques.

Notice of motion for 18.05.2023.

In the meanwhile, petitioner shall join investigation before the Investigating Officer as and when called. In the event of his arrest, the Arresting Officer would admit him to interim bail, till the next date of hearing, on his furnishing adequate bail and surety bonds to his satisfaction. The petitioner is directed to abide by all the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that in pursuance of order dated 17.04.2023 passed by this Court, the petitioner has already joined investigation.

The above factual position is duly acknowledged by learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Balwinder Singh, P. S. Kotwali Patiala, Patiala, by submitting that the petitioner has joined investigation and his custodial interrogation is no longer required in this case.

In view of the above, the petition is allowed. Interim order dated 17.04.2023 is hereby made absolute, subject to all the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

18.05.2023
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(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
whether reportable: Yes/No