

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-57394-2022 (O&M)

Date of decision : 22.2.2023

Ajay Kumar alias Ajay Kumar Bhardwaj

... Petitioner

VERSUS

Rajesh Jain and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH

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

Ms. Kanica Sachdeva, AAG, Punjab.

KARAMJIT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Prayer is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in criminal complaint titled Rajesh Jain v. Ajay Kumar Bhardwaj under Section 138 of Negotiable Instruments Act having NACT No.7138/2017 pending in the Court of Judicial Magistrate, 1st Class, Jalandhar wherein the petitioner was declared as proclaimed person vide order dated 4.7.2022.

Counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of previous order dated 8.12.2022, the petitioner has made payment of ₹ 1 lakh to the complainant against proper receipt dated 31.1.2023 and copy of the same is placed on record. He further submits that he has also joined the proceedings before the learned trial Court in compliance of the aforesaid order of interim bail.

Admittedly, offence punishable under Section 138 of Negotiable Instruments Act is a bailable offence and further, the petitioner

has joined the proceedings with the learned trial Court and has also handed

over amount of ₹ 1 lakh to the complainant. No purpose is going to be served by sending the petitioner in custody at this point of time.

In view of the above, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and order of interim bail dated 8.12.2022 is hereby made absolute. However, the petitioner is to appear on each and every date of hearing fixed in the trial Court.

(KARAMJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

February 22, 2023
Paritosh Kumar

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No