

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

Sr. No.105

CRM-M No.56521 of 2023

Date of Decision: 17.11.2023

Dhanna Ram

.....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present:- Mr. B.S. Jaswal, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Mr. M.S. Nagra AAG, Punjab.

DEEPAK GUPTA, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. is for anticipatory bail in case FIR No.27, dated 20.03.2023, registered under Sections 409, 420, 465, 467, 468 and 471 IPC, at Police Station Julkan District Patiala.

This is second petition. The earlier petition bearing CRM-M No.27228 of 2023 was dismissed as withdrawn vide order dated 29.05.2023 (Annexure P-12).

FIR was lodged on the complaint of Assistant Registrar Cooperative Societies Patiala, as per which the petitioner Dhanna Ram was Ex. Secretary of Dhagroli Multipurpose Cooperative Society Ltd. The complaint was accompanied with the inquiry report submitted by the Deputy Superintendent of Police Rural, Patiala which revealed that by forging the receipts of Gurinder Singh , Salesman, Harsimran Singh, Peon

the petitioner embezzled an amount of Rs.7,46,702/- on 22.4.2023 and Rs.12,18,500/- by showing the fake receipts. It is further alleged that disputed signatures on the receipt were forged.

It is contended by the learned counsel that the society has not paid the salary/gratuity to the petitioner and that as per the audit report of the year 2019-2020 of society, salary of Rs.31,16,517.77/- was pending towards the society payable to the petitioner.

However, on query put by this Court, learned counsel for the petitioner could not convince this Court as to how he withdrew the amount from the account in the name of the employees, even if be assumed for sake of arguments that salary of the huge amount of the petitioner was due towards society.

After hearing learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court does not find the present case to be fit for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner. It is also noticed that after withdrawal of the earlier petition on 29.05.2023, no fresh circumstances have taken place.

Dismissed.

17.11.2023

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(DEEPAK GUPTA)
JUDGE

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