

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-7887 of 2024(O&M)
Date of Decision: 16.02.2024

Pardeep
...Petitioner
Versus
State of Haryana
...Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH

Present:- Mr. S.K. Hooda, Advocate
For the petitioner.

Mr. Neeraj Sheoran, DAG Haryana.

KARAMJIT SINGH, J.

1. The present petition has been filed by the petitioner seeking grant of anticipatory bail in criminal case having FIR No. 645 dated 22.10.2023, registered under Sections 419, 420, 468, 471, 120-B and 188 IPC and Section 8(1) of Haryana Public Examination (Prevention of Unfair Means) Act at Police Station Civil Lines, Hisar.
2. Notice of motion.
3. Mr. Neeraj Sheoran, DAG Haryana accepts notice on behalf of the State.
4. The allegations in nutshell are that co-accused Gopal impersonated as petitioner Pardeep in the examination of CET Group-D and was apprehended at the spot in examination hall by the concerned Centre Superintendent on 22.10.2023. During investigation co-accused Gopal disclosed that he appeared in the examination in place of the present petitioner.

5. The counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case on the basis of alleged disclosure statement made by co-accused Gopal who is not known to the petitioner. It is further submitted that the petitioner never asked Gopal to appear in the aforesaid examination, in his place. It is further submitted that the petitioner is ready to join the investigation with the police.

6. The present petition is resisted by the State counsel who submits that petitioner is also main accused as on his asking co-accused Gopal appeared in the examination while impersonating himself as petitioner Pardeep. It is further submitted that the petitioner is required by the police for proper investigation of the case.

7. I have considered the submissions made by counsel for the parties.

8. The allegations appearing on record against the petitioner are serious and grave in nature as someone else was found appearing in CET Group-D examination impersonating him as a petitioner. For the proper and effective investigation of the case, the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is necessary. Thus, no ground is made out to grant concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, present petition is hereby dismissed, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case.

16.02.2024
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(KARAMJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

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