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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No. 24853 of 2024 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 28.05.2024

Ravinder Kumar

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

Present: Ms. Garima Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajiv Sidhu, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana

Mr. Sushil Sheoran, Advocate
for the complainant.

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HARKESH MANUJA, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner, by way of present petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C., seeks grant of regular bail pending trial in case bearing FIR No.178, dated 07.05.2023, under Sections 420 / 120-B / 406 / 467 / 468 / 471 of IPC, registered at Police Station Badhra, Charkhi Dadri, wherein he has been implicated with the allegations of having cheated the complainant-Jatin Kumar to the tune of Rs. 10 lakhs and two others, namely, Manjeet and Sarwan to the tune of Rs. 8 lakhs and Rs. 6 lakhs respectively for assuring them to provide a job in Indian Army under sports quota.

[2] Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that as per contents of FIR, the petitioner cannot be connected with the offence. She further submits that investigation already stands concluded with the filing of challan, followed by framing of charges and the conclusion of trial will take long time, besides it, he is not involved in any other case, thus, prays for grant of regular bail to the petitioner.

[3] Learned State Counsel assisted by learned counsel representing complainant, vehemently opposes the prayer made in the petition, while submitting that the petitioner has cheated and defrauded two others including the complainant, namely, Manjeet, resident of Village Phulpura, District Bhiwani and Sarwan, resident of village Dhania, District Jhajjar, whereas the complainant-Jatin Kumar is resident of Village Kakroli, District Charkhi Dadri, by assuring them for providing job in Indian Army. He further submits that the connection of petitioner is directly established from the fact that he issued a cheque bearing account number 3014287861 for a sum of Rs.6,50,000/-, drawn on Central Bank of India, in favour of the mother of complainant, which even got dishonoured.

[4] After hearing learned counsel for the parties and gone through the paper-book, I am unable to find substance in the submissions made on behalf of the petitioner.

[5] A perusal of the record shows that the petitioner with his father, namely, Mange Ram (deceased) cheated and defrauded the complainant for a sum of Rs. 10 lakhs on the pretext of providing him job in Army, against which the amount was got deposited and for the said purpose, the amount of Rs. 10 lakhs was deposited by the petitioner in the bank account No. 1533102000003551 pertaining to one Trisha Beauty Parlor. During investigation, it has been found that the said account is in the name of one Neeru, who resides in Ranchi (Jharkhand), whereas the account pertains to District

Kaimur (Bhabhua), Bihar, which reconciles with the allegations levelled in the FIR.

[6] In such circumstances, wherein the complainant has been defrauded for a sum of Rs. 10 lakhs for providing him a job in the Army and even promised to return the amount by having issued a cheque against the same, which even got dishonoured, in the humble opinion of this Court, the petitioner, at this stage, does not deserve the concession of regular bail, especially when the other accused namely, Neeru and Prem are yet to be apprehended.

[7] In view of the above, finding no merit in the present petition, the same is hereby **dismissed**.

May 28, 2024 **(HARKESH MANUJA)**
'dk kamra' **JUDGE**

Whether Speaking/reasoned	*Yes/No*
Whether Reportable	*Yes/No*