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

CRM-M-29850-2024

Date of Decision:- 20.09.2024

INDERJEET SINGH

....Petitioner

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM:-HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE AMARJOT BHATTI

Present:- Mr. Amandeep Singh Saini, Advocate for the petitioner.

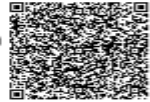
Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

AMARJOT BHATTI, J. (Oral)

1. Petitioner – Inderjeet Singh has filed instant petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No.41 dated 23.03.2024 (Annexure P-1) under Sections 420/120-B of IPC registered at Police Station City Malout, District Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

2. As per the facts of the case, Lakhwinder Singh complainant filed written complaint alleging that his son Harmanjit Singh passed 12th class in 2020. He came in contact with Jarnail Singh in function who told him that he was P.A. to Smt.Parneet Kaur and further stated that he will be in a position to get a job in police department under DGP quota and it will cost Rs.8 lakhs. Complainant has given details of money handed over to Jarnail Singh, his son Inderjeet Singh as well as the amount deposited in the

account of wife of Jarnail Singh. In this way, he gave Rs.4.75 lakhs to

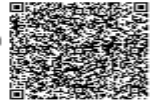


them but in return they did not do his work and raised demand for more money. Complainant requested Jarnail Singh to give joining letter then he will pay him the balance amount but he refused. On this, he requested him to return his money and thereafter he started making excuses. Complainant further alleged that he had recorded their conversation on phone. With these allegations, present FIR was registered.

3. Learned counsel for petitioner argued that all allegations levelled against present petitioner are false. He is falsely implicated being son of Jarnail Singh. No amount was transferred in the account of petitioner. He is ready to join the investigation. No recovery is to be effected from him. Therefore, custodial interrogation is not required. Learned counsel for petitioner also referred to other FIRs registered against him out of which in one case he is on bail and in another FIR he was declared innocent. It is prayed that his anticipatory bail may be allowed.

4. Bail application is opposed by learned counsel representing State. Today detailed status report has been filed which is taken on record. Learned counsel representing State pointed out that there are specific serious allegations against present petitioner who is yet to join the investigation. Even otherwise petitioner is having criminal antecedents and aforesaid two FIRs are also referred in the status report. It is prayed that petitioner is not entitled to be released on anticipatory bail.

5. I have considered the arguments. Contents of FIR clearly indicate that present petitioner Inderjeet Singh, who is son of main accused Jarnail Singh actively participated in the whole occurrence. He received money from petitioner from time to time. Petitioner is also involved in two other FIRs, in one of the FIR No.53 dated 16.09.2021 under Sections 302,



506, 148, 149 IPC, P.S. Arif-Ke cancellation report was filed whereas FIR No.46 dated 23.08.2023 under Sections 452, 324, 323, 148 and 149 IPC, Police Station Arif-Ke is still under investigation. Considering the nature of allegations, custodial interrogation is required. Findings no merits, anticipatory bail application filed by petitioner is declined.

6. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, stand disposed of accordingly.

20.09.2024

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(AMARJOT BHATTI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No.

Whether reportable: Yes/No