

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

Neutral Citation No. 2024:PHHC:013013
CRM-M-40667-2023
Date of Decision: January 31, 2024

Abhas Goyal

...Petitioner

Versus

The State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present:- Mr. Sarvesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Karunesh Kaushal, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Mandeep Kumar Dhot, Advocate for the complainant.

DEEPAK GUPTA, J.(Oral)

On 21.08.2023, following order was passed by this Court:-

“Prayer in this petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. is for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.56, dated 28.04.2022, under Sections 420 and 120-B of IPC, registered at Police Station Balongi, District SAS Nagar (Mohali).

It is contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that as per the allegations of the prosecution, on the asking of Krishan Sharma and Shikha Mahajan, complainant invested his amount in Vihaan Direct Selling Pvt. Ltd. It is contended that amount of approximately ₹12 lacs was allegedly invested by the complainant, but all this investment was through the banking network. The only attribution against the petitioner is that on the asking of Krishan Sharma and Shikha Mahajan, an amount of ₹3.5 lacs was given to the petitioner in cash.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Parneet Singh Pandher, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State. A copy of paper book be supplied to him during the course of day.

Adjourned to 15.11.2023 for filing status report by specifying the role of the petitioner.

In the meantime, petitioner is directed to join investigation and co-operate in the same. He will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court nor shall make any attempt to

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contact the complainant of the case or any witness associated with the case. In the event of the arrest of the petitioner, he shall be released on interim bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. He shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

As per stand taken by the respondent-State, it was informed on 15.11.2023 that the petitioner had already joined the investigation, in compliance of the order dated 21.08.2023.

In view of the aforesaid, the order dated 21.08.2023, whereby the petitioner was granted interim anticipatory bail, is hereby made absolute. However, he shall continue to join investigation, if and so required by the Investigating Officer.

Disposed of.

January 31, 2024
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(DEEPAK GUPTA)
JUDGE

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