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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-57225-2024 (O&M)
Date of decision:- 18.11.2024

Karun Kumar @ Karun Girdhar
...Petitioner(s)
Versus
State of Punjab
...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE

Present:- Mr. Naveen Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioner(s).
Mr. Gagneshwar Singh Walia, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.
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SHEEL NAGU, C.J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner has filed this petition under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023 apprehending his arrest in case FIR No. 116, dated 06.09.2024 under Section 420/120B of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 registered at Police Station Model Town, Police Commissionerate Ludhiana, District Ludhiana in respect of an offence for cheating and criminal conspiracy arising out of the factual scenario that he has duped the complainant by parting him with Rs. 9,10,000/- with an assurance to send the complainant's brother to United Kingdom.
2. However, when the promise was not kept by the petitioner, the complainant asked for the refund of his amount. Accordingly, three cheques were issued to the complainant and each one of them was got dishonoured.



3. The petitioner has one more FIR registered against him alleging similar offence.
4. In the State of Punjab, such kind of offences are becoming rampant. Since the number of persons intending to go abroad is very large in the State of Punjab, the incidence of cheating and criminal conspiracy of duping persons of their hard earned money is becoming common.
5. Considering the amount of money involved and the antecedents of the petitioner, this Court is not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner. The petitioner should join the investigation where his custodial interrogation appears to be necessary.
6. In view of the aforesaid, the petition stands dismissed.

(SHEEL NAGU)
CHIEF JUSTICE

18.11.2024
Amodh Sharma

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