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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Decided on:07.08.2025

Jitender Pal Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of U.T. Chandigarh

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: Mr. Rajiv Kataria, Advocate for the petitioner.
(through video conferencing)

Mr. J.S. Toor, A.P.P., U.T. Chandigarh.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J.

1. Present petition has been filed under Section 483 of BNSS, seeking regular bail in case FIR No.8 of 2020, under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Sector 19 Chandigarh, during the pendency of trial.

2. While dealing with two petitions, one of the petitioners, namely Jitender Pal Singh, in CRM-M-56413-2024, was granted the concession of interim regular bail vide order dated 07.02.2025, by observing as under:

“1. CRM-M-61188-2024, has been filed by the petitioner – Rajesh Kumar, for grant of anticipatory bail, in case FIR No.08, dated 01.02.2020, under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B of IPC, registered at Police Station Sector 19, Chandigarh, whereas, CRM-M-56413-2024, has been filed by the petitioner – Jitender Pal Singh, for grant of regular bail in the same FIR case.

2. Allegation against both the petitioner(s)/accused are that both of them in connivance with some other accused played fraud with the Bank for the purpose of obtaining loan amount of Rs.20.00 lacs. In furtherance to the conspiracy and the plan, a fake firm in the name of M/s Glob/Global Automobiles Pvt. Ltd. was opened, and thereafter, a Toyota Fortuner Car, amounting to Rs.23,90,733/- was booked by Jitender Pal Singh, by submitting a fake proforma invoice. Car loan was applied by co-accused Jitender Pal Singh and ultimately, the accused persons succeeded in getting the loan sanctioned in connivance with one Ratan Singh (then Manager



of the Bank) and thereupon, an amount of Rs.20.00 lakhs was credited in the Bank account of the firm, which in fact, was a fake firm. After crediting the loan amount of Rs.20.00 lacs in the bank account of the firm, accused Rajesh Kumar, transferred Rs.13.00 lacs in the account of co-accused Jitender Pal Singh (petitioner in CRM-M-56413-2024) and another set of amount i.e. Rs.6.80 lacs was withdrawn by accused – Rajesh Kumar through a self cheque No. 621402, dated 06.03.2024.

3. *Prima facie*, it appears that the sufficient material in the shape of documents is already there with the prosecution agency and the co-accused – Jitender Pal Singh, is there in custody for the last more than four months, and after investigation of the case, final report/challan qua him has already been submitted.

It is admitted position by learned counsel for the accused/petitioner – Jitender Pal Singh and learned APP, UT Chandigarh, that out of the total amount of Rs.13.00 lacs, which as per allegations was received by Jitender Pal Singh in his pocket, an amount of Rs.8.00 lacs, has already been deposited with the Bank.

Besides, it is also informed to the Court that accused/petitioner – Jitender Pal Singh is not involved in any other similar activity of defrauding the general public and public offices/agencies.

4. In view of the above, accused/petitioner – **Jitender Pal Singh (in CRM-M-56413-2024)** is ordered to be released on interim regular bail to enable him to repay or take necessary steps to repay the balance loan amount, which, in fact, belongs to no one else except the general public.

5. Accordingly, he be released on interim regular bail in this case, subject to his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate/Illaq Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned, if not required in any other case.

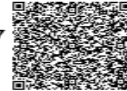
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6. As far as the anticipatory bail of accused/petitioner – **Rajesh Kumar (in CRM-M-61188-2024)** is concerned, obviously he has actively participated in the crime and received an amount of Rs.6.80 lacs in cash through self cheque No.621402, dated 06.03.2014, therefore, no ground is there for granting him concession of anticipatory bail.

Accordingly, petition qua accused/petitioner – Rajesh Kumar i.e. CRM-M-61188-2024, stands **dismissed**.

Photocopy of this order be placed on the file of other connected cases.”

3. Mr. Rajiv Kataria, Advocate for the petitioner, and Mr. J.S. Toor, A.P.P., U.T., Chandigarh, are ad idem in stating that, in addition to the amount of Rs. 8 lacs already paid to the Bank, petitioner has deposited a further sum of Rs. 6 lacs, thereby making the total deposit with the Bank Rs. 14 lacs.



However, according to the prosecution, an amount of Rs. 13 lacs was transferred to Jitender Pal Singh's account out of the total loan amount of Rs. 20 lacs.

In view of the facts recorded in the order dated 07.02.2025, as well as those presented today, counsel prays for the confirmation of the interim regular bail order dated 07.02.2025 and for allowing the present petition.

4. On the other hand, learned Counsel for the respondent/U.T. submits that the final report in respect of the petitioner, Jitender Pal Singh, has already been submitted to the Court. However, petitioner has failed to appear and join the proceedings, resulting in the issuance of bailable warrants scheduled for 08.08.2025 (i.e., tomorrow).

5. In view of the foregoing, interim bail granted to the petitioner vide order dated 07.02.2025 passed by this Court is hereby made absolute. Petitioner is thus, allowed. Petitioner shall be admitted to bail on the already furnished bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

6. However, it is made clear that the order passed today shall be operative only on the condition that petitioner appears before the concerned Court of the Area Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, who has issued the bailable warrants against him, and is expected to continue appearing in future proceedings also.



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7. The observation made here-in-above shall not be construed as an expression on the merits of the case and the Trial Court shall decide the case on the basis of evidence available on record.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

07.08.2025
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Whether Speaking/Reasoned: **YES/NO**
Whether Reportable: **YES/NO**