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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-27141-2026
Date of Decision: 19.05.2026

AMIT ARORA ... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB ...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present: Mr. Manik Makkar, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. M.S. Toor, AAG, Punjab.

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JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J. (Oral)

The prayer in the present petition under Section 483 BNSS, 2023 is for grant of regular bail in case bearing FIR No.0083 dated 07.06.2024 registered under Sections 406, 420, 120-B, 467, 468 and 471 of the IPC (corresponding to Section 316, 318(4), 61(2), 338, 336(3) and 340(2) of the BNS) and Section 24 of the Immigration Act (Section 467, 468, 471 deleted later on and Section 13 of the Punjab Travel Professional Regulation Act, 2013 added later on) registered at Police Station City Khanna, District Khanna.

2. Brief facts of the case are that one Jashanpreet Kaur got registered the present FIR and the same reads as under:-

> *Today's application number 328316-PGD dated 03.04.2024 by Jashanpreet Kaur daughter of Bikkar Singh resident of Ward No. 5 Ratnaheri, Khanna, Tehsil Khanna District Ludhiana against (1) Taranpreet Kaur (2) Amit Arora son of Rajesh Arora Resident House No. 01, Ward No. 08. Near Primary School, Balachaur, District Nava Shehar (3) Vikas Sarma C/o (Immigration Solution) SCO*

123 124, whose office is Above Reliance Jewels, 2nd Floor, Sector 17-C. Bridge, Road, Chandigarh and Immigration Solution and its other owners for defrauding her of money the complainant on pretext of sending her to Canada (Mobile No. 9008386-15557, 98549-95549) Sir, the applicant has the following written request I hereby state that:-1) I am Jashanpreet Kaur, daughter of Bikkar Singh, resident of village Ratan Heri, Tehsil Khanna, District Ludhiana. I am a peace-loving citizen. 2) About 2 years ago, I went to the office of the above accused in Chandigarh regarding going abroad to Canada where Taranpreet Kaur spoke to me on behalf of (Immigration Solution). The accused assured me that they would send me to Canada. They demanded my passport and some documents from me. Apart from this, they demanded Rs. 15,000/- (fifteen thousand rupees) which was transferred to the account of Immigration Solution on 14-10-2021. Apart from this, they demanded Rs. 14,100/- (four thousand one hundred rupees) from my father Bikkar Singh saying that this is embassy fee. Then on 03-12-2021, the accused called my father and 14,100/- (Rupees one thousand one hundred) embassy fee was deposited. Taranpreet Kaur kept talking to my father on behalf of the rest of the accused. Then Taranpreet Kaur demanded 15,47,400/- (Rupees fifteen lakh forty thousand four hundred) from us on behalf of Immigration Solution, saying that this was to pay the college fee. Falling into their trap, my father deposited 15,47,400/- in the account of Immigration Solution. Then they collected 28,000/- (Rupees twenty eight thousand) more cash from my father. In this way, they collected a total of 16,04,500/- Rupees sixteen lakh four thousand five hundred) from us. 3) That after this my father Bikar Singh went to the office of Immigration Solution several times and asked about sending me to Canada, then the Immigration Solution people gave us an offer letter. On the request of the locals, we gave them all the documents but still they did not get my Canadian visa. After that, we made many rounds of *their office but they kept on making excuses. We also called the accused several times and kept asking about this but they did not give us any solution. 4) That we kept asking them about this for about one and a half years and when they did not give us any solution, we asked them to return our money. But the accused kept telling us that we have done all your work, only the visa is yet to come. After some time passed, we suspected that they had done our work properly or not, so we sent my application number to the college mentioned by the accused and asked for information about it. They informed us that your application is not in our records and they also told us that the offer letter sent to us by the accused is fake, bogus and false. Due to this, we were very upset. When we told the accused about this, they still kept on lying. Then they also stopped picking up our phone calls. In this way, all the above accused conspired and cheated us by giving me a false pretense of sending me abroad. And did not return our money. 5) After we had given a written application in this regard on 05-03-2023, we received a call from the above accused and they said to take the cheque of our payment, then on 21-09-2023 we went to the above office of the accused. Where Taranpreet Kaur gave me three cheques No. 211981 dated 29-09-2023 amounting to Rs. 5,00,000/- and cheque no. 211982 dated 26-12-2023 amounting to Rs. 2,92,950/- and cheque no. 000210 dated 03-02-2024 amounting Rs. 5,00,000/- to get cashed in our account, but on 30-09-2023, after going to the bank, I came to know that this cheque has bounced due to lack of balance in the account. It is also worth mentioning here that the said cheque No. 211981 dated 26-12-2023 is signed by Amit Arora and cheque No. 000210 dated 03-02-2024 is signed by Vikas Sharma. Thus, these persons have cheated me once again. (The said cheques, dishonor memo photocopies, copy of bank statement are attached.) 6) That the said accused neither applied for admission of my daughter Jashanpreet Kaur in any college nor sent any fee to any college and on the contrary sent us a fake and*

> *false offer letter. (Attached is the copy of this). All the above accused and all the owners of Immigration Solution have cheated and cheated us under a well-planned conspiracy. Please take strict legal action against them and give me justice and our money may be returned and give me justice. Your kindness will be greatly appreciated. With gratitude, applicant SD/-Jashanpreet kaur.*

3. The counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. He is not the owner of the immigration firm namely Immigration Solutions with which the complainant had dealings. In fact, the firm-Immigration Solutions is a proprietorship firm in the name of the main accused namely Vikas Sharma. The petitioner only had business dealings with Vikas Sharma and the cheque signed by the petitioner and purportedly issued to the complainant has been misused by Vikas Sharma. The investigation stands completed. As the petitioner is in custody since 09.08.2024 but none of the 09 prosecution witnesses has been examined so far, the trial of the present case is not likely to be concluded anytime soon and therefore, he be granted the concession of bail.

4. The counsel for the State, on the other hand, contends that two cheques drawn on the IndusInd Bank have been issued in the name of the complainant have been duly signed by the petitioner. The total amount involved in both the cheques is approximately 8 lacs. There is no cogent explanation as to how and why the petitioner had signed the cheques issued in the name of Immigration Solutions in case he has no concern with the aforementioned firm. He is an accused in 16 other cases of a similar nature. Therefore, there is every possibility that he would abscond from justice if he is granted the concession of bail. Thus, the present petition seeking grant of regular bail to the petitioner is liable to be dismissed.

5. I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

6. A perusal of the FIR would reveal that the complainant has been cheated of a huge amount of money on pretext of sending her abroad. When she sought refund of the amount paid to the firm, cheques were issued signed by the petitioner and Vikas Sharma. The said cheques have been dishonoured. The petitioner is an accused in 16 other cases of a similar nature. There is every possibility that he would abscond from justice or tamper with the evidence in case he is granted the concession of bail.

7. Therefore, I do not deem it appropriate to grant the concession of bail to the petitioner and the present petition stands dismissed.

8. However, the Trial Court is directed to conclude the Trial as expeditiously as possible but in any case not later than 06 months from the next date of hearing fixed before it.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

May 19, 2026
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Whether reportable:- Yes/No