Gurmeet Singh VS. State of Punjab CRM-581-26

Present: Sh. J.S.Chatha advocate for applicant.
Addl. PP for the State.

ORDER:-

1. Heard on the application for release the amount to the applicant. It is averred in the application that applicant being duped to an amount of Rs.37,391.69/- by an unknown person as the amount was got transferred from Axis Bank through his bank to different bank accounts in 8 transactions and accordingly the applicant moved the application to Cyber Crime. It is further averred that the inquiry officer freezed the amount which was deposited by the applicant. Hence, the present application.

2. Report of Investigating officer of P.S. Cyber Crime Unit, Patiala has been received wherein it has been recommended to return the frozen total amount of Rs. 37,391.69/- recovered from the bank account of accused, as mentioned in the report, which have been put on hold. Accordingly, the present application stands allowed and an amount of Rs. 37,391.69/-, as detailed in report of P.S. Cyber cell, which was seized in connection with this case be returned to the petitioner/applicant as interim custody, on furnishing surety and personal bond of the same seized amount in the concerned police station. The amount of personal bond so required to be furnished should not be less than value of the seized amount.

3. The amount be released subject to the terms and conditions mentioned at the end of the order and till the final disposal of case.

4. The police officer of the concerned police station is required to apprise the concerned bank about the aforementioned process as well as order of the Court.

5. It is also ordered that after receiving the information from the concerned police station about the orders of the Court as well the entire process of furnishing of surety or personal bail bonds in the police station, the bank shall ensure the compliance of the Order of this Court under intimation to the Court. The concerned bank manager is directed to transfer the amount of Rs. 37,391.69/-, as detailed in the report of P.S. Cyber cell, Patiala from the account of accused to the account of complainant/applicant against proper verification and receipt. The concerned bank manager is further directed not to release the amount in question if any other person has raised objection to the same or lodged claim with regard to the said amount to the bank.

6. Further, the concerned bank shall confirm that alleged amount was deposited in the account of the accused from the bank account of the applicant and the concerned bank shall return the amount in the same account from which it has been withdrawn.

Terms & Conditions:-

I. The applicant will have to produce the frozen amount before the Hon'ble Court, if so required by the Court;

II. If the above mentioned account holder or any other person claims the said amount and proves his interest, in that eventuality, the applicant will have to return the said amount;

III. The applicant shall not transfer the said amount (frozen) to anyone else as a mortgage, gift or in any way until the final disposal of this case;

IV. The said frozen amount should not be used or allowed to be used for any criminal purpose;

V. In the event of breach of any of the condition, the interim order stands automatically cancelled and the frozen amount shall be confiscated again and the surety and amount of bail bonds shall be recovered.

7. Judicial papers be separated and be consigned to the record room after due compliance, whereas remaining papers be sent to the quarter concerned.

Pronounced in open Court On 18.04.2026 Ashish, Stenographer-II	Gurpreet Singh Judicial Magistrate 1st Class Patiala/UID No.PB0615