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IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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Date of decision: June 30, 2016.

Gagandeep Singh

... Petitioner

V.

M/s Luxmi Electronics and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.B. CHAUDHARI

Present:

Mr. Harshit Jain, Advocate for the petitioner.

1. Whether Reporters of local papers may be allowed to see the judgment?

2. Whether to be referred to the Reporters or not?

3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?

**A.B. Chaudhari,** J. (Oral):

In a pending private complaint case under Section 138 of the

Negotiable Instruments Act in relation to the cheque amount of Rs.29,400/-,

the petitioner-accused remained absent on 10.11.2015 due to which the trial

Magistrate declared him proclaimed offender vide the order of the same date

and non-bailable warrants were issued. Eventually, the petitioner was

arrested on 25.5.2016 and since then he is in judicial custody.

Learned Counsel for the petitioner makes a statement that

henceforth he would not default in his presence before the learned

Magistrate in the conduct of the said criminal complaint case and would

also abide by the directions from the learned Magistrate.

In my opinion, in the background of the above facts, it would

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be appropriate to grant bail to the petitioner in case bearing complaint

No.NACT/228/2014 of 13.11.2014, titled as "M/s Luxmi Electronics versus

Gagandeep Singh" pending before the Court of SDJM, Dhuri under Section

138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (Annexure P-1) with a further

direction to him to file an undertaking in writing before the learned

Magistrate that he would not make any default in future appearance before

the learned Magistrate in the pending criminal complaint case. In the result,

I make the following order:-

(i) The application is allowed;

(ii) The petitioner shall be released on bail on his furnishing

personal bond in the sum of Rs.5,000/- with one surety of

like amount before the learned Magistrate and except for

default, the bail bond shall continue until the completion of

trial;

(iii) The learned Magistrate may expedite the trial in the light of

the small amount involved.

[ A.B. Chaudhari ] Judge

June 30, 2016. *kadyan*