HIGH COURT OF UTTARAKHAND AT NAINITAL First Bail Application No.3054 of 2021

Ashok KumarApplicant

Versus

State of Uttarakhand

.....Respondent

Present:-

Mr. M.S. Pal, Senior Advocate assisted by Mr. Vikramaditya Shah, Advocate for the applicant.

Mr. V.S. Rathore, A.G.A. for the State.

Mr. Mani Kumar, Advocate for the informant.

Hon'ble Ravindra Maithani, J. (Oral)

Applicant Ashok Kumar is in judicial custody in FIR/Case Crime No.26 of 2021, under Sections 420, 120-B IPC and Section 66(D) of the Information Technology Act, 2000, Police Station Cyber Crime Dehradun, District Dehradun. He has sought his release on bail.

- 2. Heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.
- 3. The applicant was persuaded to deposit Crores of rupees under the assurance of heavy returns after maturity of his Reliance Life Insurance Policy. The FIR reveals that the informant was telephonically directed to deposit the money in various accounts, which he did. Certain cheques were given to him, which were dishonoured.

4. Learned counsel for the applicant would submit that the co-accused Lalit Giri has already been granted bail in BA1 No.2425 of 2021 and the applicant is not named in the FIR.

5. On the other hand, learned State counsel would submit that out of the money, which was deposited by the informant, ₹9,85,000/- were deposited in the account of the applicant. The bank statement is Annexure No.2 in the counter affidavit.

6. It is a very serious case. A man has been cheated under the promise of heavy returns. At this stage, it is revealed that the huge amount was deposited in the account of the applicant.

- 7. Having considered this and other attending factors, this Court is of the view that there is no ground to enlarge the applicant on bail. Accordingly, the bail application deserves to be rejected.
- 8. The bail application is rejected.

(Ravindra Maithani, J.) 04.01.2023

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