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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M-967-2025

Date of decision: 19.05.2025

Gurdeep Singh

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Puneet Kumar Bansal, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Rana, Senior DAG, Punjab.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking the concession of anticipatory bail, under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023, in FIR No.29, dated 22.10.2024, under Section 7 of Prevention of Corruption Act, registered at Police Station Vigilance Bureau Range, Ferozepur, District Ferozepur.

2. On 13.01.2025, while noticing the following submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court had directed that no coercive steps be taken against the petitioner:-

“Learned counsel for the petitioner, *inter alia*, contends that the FIR in question came to be registered not at the instance of Ninder Kaur, from whom the alleged demand of bribe was made, rather, it came to be registered at the instance of members of a political outfit, who allegedly apprehended the petitioner while accepting bribe from Ninder Kaur. It has also been submitted that the FIR in question has been registered after two years of the alleged demand and acceptance of the bribe.”

3. Thereafter, on 17.02.2025, after noticing the submissions made by learned State counsel, this Court granted the concession of interim bail to the petitioner and directed him to join investigation:-

“Learned State counsel has not disputed the submissions made by the counsel opposite that the FIR in question was not registered at the instance of Ninder Kaur, from whom the alleged demand of bribe was made but at the instance of some members of a political outfit.”

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of order dated 17.02.2025, the petitioner has joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency.

5. Learned State counsel, on instructions from Inspector Raman Kumar, does not dispute the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency. He, on further instructions, submits that the petitioner is not required for further investigation much less for his custodial interrogation.

6. In view of the above, the petition is allowed and interim order dated 17.02.2025, is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C./482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

May 19, 2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No