



CRM-M-405-2025

1

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

205-2

CRM-M-405-2025

Date of decision: 27.08.2025

Mangtu Ram

...Petitioner

V/s

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. Kuldip Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Jaypreet Singh, DAG Punjab.

Mr. Ravinder Singh, Advocate for the complainant.

SUMEET GOEL, J. (Oral)

1. Present petition has been filed under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023 for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.129 dated 30.11.2024, under Sections 406, 420, 120-B IPC registered at Police Station City-II Abohar, District Fazilka.

2. On 09.01.2025 the following order was passed:-

“Contends, inter alia, that co-accused, namely, Dhola Singh, has already been granted the concession of interim bail by the Coordinate Bench vide order dated 02.01.2025, passed in CRM-M-11-2025.

Notice of motion.

At this stage, Mr. Kunwarbir Singh, learned AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State; seeks time to have instructions and/or file written response in the matter.

Mr. Barjinder Singh, Advocate, causes appearance on behalf of the de facto complainant.

To be heard along with CRM-M-11-2025 on the date already fixed i.e. 03.02.2025.

In the meantime, the petitioner is directed to join investigation before the Investigating Officer. In the event of his arrest, the Arresting Officer would admit him to interim bail, till the next date of hearing, on furnishing adequate bail and surety bonds to his satisfaction. The



CRM-M-405-2025

2

petitioner shall abide by the terms and conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.”

3. Thereafter, on 27.05.2025, the following order was passed in this case:

“Learned counsel for the petitioner(s), on instructions, submits that there are chances of an amicable settlement between the parties i.e. petitioner(s) as well as de facto complainant at their own level.

Posted for 05.08.2025.

Till the next date of hearing, interim order(s) in respective case(s) to continue.

Photocopy of this order be placed on the files of connected cases.”

4. Learned State counsel, on instructions, has stated that pursuant to the order dated 09.01.2025, the petitioner has joined investigation and is no longer required for custodial interrogation.

5. Learned counsel appearing for complainant has vociferously opposed the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner by arguing that the allegations made against the petitioner are serious in nature and hence he ought not be extended the concession of anticipatory bail.

6. In view of the above, the interim order dated 09.01.2025 passed by this Court is made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

7. This order should not be treated as “blanket” order. It will not be read granting petitioner indefinite protection from arrest. It shall be confined to the FIR mentioned ibid and will not operate in respect of any other incident that involves commission of an offence.

8. Liberty is reserved in favour of State/complainant to move for cancellation/recall of this order in case the petitioner violates any condition



stipulated under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 or upon showing any other sufficient cause.

9. Needless to say that anything observed herein above shall not be construed to be an opinion on the merits of the case.

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

August 27, 2025
Ajay

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No