

2025:PHHC:071340



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

Sr. No.206

**CRM-M-2120-2025 (O&M)
Date of decision : 26.05.2025**

Ranjit Singh

..... Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE KIRTI SINGH

Present: Mr. Aditya Dassur, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Ms. Aakanksha Gupta, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Bhupinder Ghai, Advocate, for respondent No.2.

KIRTI SINGH, J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in the present petition filed under Section 482 of Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS, 2023), is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, in case FIR No.12 dated 02.04.2024, under Section 498-A IPC, registered at Police Station NRI, District Police Commissionerate Amritsar.

2. Vide order dated 16.01.2025, the petitioner was directed to join investigation, the same is reproduced below:-

“Apprehending arrest the petitioners have filed this petition under Section 482 of BNSS for grant of anticipatory bail in case bearing FIR No.12 dated 02.04.2024, under Section 498-A IPC, registered at Police Station NRI, District Police Commissionerate Amritsar.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, submits that the marriage of the petitioner was solemnized in the year 2007 and there is no specific allegations of cruelty against the present petitioner thus offence under Section 498-A

2025:PHHC:071340



is not made out. The petitioner had approached the learned Sessions Court seeking anticipatory bail and vide order dated 21.08.2024 he was directed to join the investigation within 15 days but due to medical reasons he failed to join the investigation and extension of time was sought on medical grounds and as the parties were trying to amicably settle the dispute but the learned Sessions Court dismissed the application vide order dated 11.11.2024. The petitioner is currently in Germany and he is expected to come back to India after one month.

3. *Notice of motion.*

4. *Mr. Davinder Bir Singh, Senior DAG, Punjab waives service of notice on behalf of the respondent-State and seeks time to file reply.*

5. *List on 08.04.2025.*

6. *In the meantime, petitioner shall join investigation before the Investigating Agency/Officer. In the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim bail subject to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. He shall abide by the following conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.:-*

- 1) That the petitioner shall make himself available for interrogation by a police officer as and when required to do so.*
- 2) That the petitioner shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the court or to any police officer.*
- 3) That the petitioner shall not leave India without prior permission of the Court.*

2025:PHHC:071340



3. Learned State counsel on instructions from SI-Parwinder Kaur submits that in compliance of order dated 16.01.2025, the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for any further investigation.
4. Having considered the aforesaid facts and circumstances, the petition is allowed. Order dated 16.01.2025 passed by this Court, is hereby made absolute.
5. This order should not be treated as "blanket" order. It will not be read granting the petitioner(s) 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.
6. This order does not in any manner limit or restrict the rights or duties of the police or investigating agency to investigate into the charges against the petitioner(s).
7. The accused-petitioner(s) shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him or her from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer.
8. The accused-petitioner(s) shall not leave India without prior permission of the Court.
9. The accused-petitioner(s) shall join the investigation as and when called by the police.
10. It will be open to the police or the investigating agency to move to this Court for a direction under Section 483(3) of BNSS, 2023 (erstwhile Section 439(2) of Cr.P.C.) to arrest the accused-petitioner(s), in the event of violation of any term, such as absconding, non-cooperating during

2025:PHHC:071340



investigation, evasion, intimidation or inducement to witnesses with a view to influence outcome of the investigation or trial.

Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, also stands disposed of.

(KIRTI SINGH)
JUDGE

26.05.2025
Ramandeep Singh

Whether speaking / reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No