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

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**CRM-M-7010-2025 (O&M)**  
**Date of decision: May 22, 2025**

MANINDER SINGH

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL**

Present: Mr. Preety Arya, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Rana, Sr. DAG, Punjab  
With HC Paramjeet Singh.

**MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J.**

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.0057 dated 16.03.2024 under Sections 406, 420, 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station Tripuri, District Patiala.
2. Mr. Abnash Singh, Advocate has entered appearance on behalf of the complainant and filed his Power of Attorney in the Court today, which is taken on record.
3. Learned State counsel has vehemently opposed the prayer made for extending the concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner. It has been submitted that firstly, the allegations in the FIR have been incorrectly translated inasmuch as some relevant extracts of the FIR have been intentionally withheld from this Court; the petitioner's criminal antecedents have also been withheld as it is a matter of record that he is involved in 3 other criminal cases.



3. In the circumstances, on this ground alone, no ground is made out to extend the extraordinary concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner. It needs to be emphasized that a litigant is supposed to approach a Court of law with clean hands otherwise he deserves to be shown the door.

4. Accordingly, the instant petition stands dismissed.

5. However, it is made clear that anything observed hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

**May 22, 2025**  
*Jaspreet Kaur*

**(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)**  
**JUDGE**

*Whether speaking/reasoned* : *Yes/No*

*Whether reportable* : *Yes/No*