



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

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CRM-M-8843-2025

Date of decision: 22.07.2025

Ravinder Kumar alias PHC Ravi Kumar

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Sarabjit Singh Sidhu, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. H.S. Deol, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking the concession of anticipatory bail under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short, 'BNSS') in case FIR No.31 dated 14.11.2024 under Sections 7, 7(A) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 as amended by Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018, registered at Police Station Vigilance Bureau Range Ferozepur, District Ferozepur.

2. On 15.02.2025, while noticing the following submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court had granted the concession of interim bail to the petitioner and asked him to join investigation:-

“According to the case of the prosecution, on 17.08.2024 at about 7 PM, the complainant received a phone call from Constable Rajinder Kumar, who demanded Rs.2 lakhs for the release of Jai Dev, an



accused in FIR No.171, dated 17.08.2024, registered under Sections 223 of the BNS and Section 22 of the NDPS Act, at Police Station City 1, Abohar, District Fazilka. However, the amount was later negotiated and settled at Rs.1,20,000/-. Subsequently, the complainant allegedly received another call from the petitioner, who stated that the matter would be resolved for Rs.60,000/-. Consequently, Rs.25,000/- was withdrawn from an ATM and handed over to the petitioner, who, in turn, passed the amount to Constable Rajinder Kumar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that there is no evidence to suggest that the petitioner ever demanded or accepted any money from the complainant. It is further submitted that the petitioner has no connection with Jai Dev, the accused in FIR No.171, dated 17.08.2024, nor was he posted at the relevant police station at the material time.

Additionally, learned counsel submits that the petitioner is willing to provide his voice sample to the Investigating Agency.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of order dated 15.02.2025, the petitioner has joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency.

4. Learned State counsel, on instructions, does not dispute the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency. However, learned State counsel submits that an application has since been moved for obtaining the voice sample of the petitioner and hence, as and when the said application is allowed by the Court concerned, the petitioner's voice sample would be taken.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner undertakes that as and when the petitioner is called for giving his voice sample, he would do so and cooperate with the investigating agency.

6. In view of the above, the petition is allowed and interim



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order dated 15.02.2025, is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 482(2) of the BNSS.

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**(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE**

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