



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

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Date of decision: 18.02.2025

Jakir

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Arjun Atri, Advocate for the petitioner.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J.

1. The petitioner is seeking the concession of anticipatory bail under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 in case FIR No.17 dated 26.01.2025 under Sections 3/13(1), 8/13(3), 5/13(2) and 17 of the Haryana Gauvansh Sanrakshan and Gausamvardhan Act, 2015 and Sections 11-59-60 of the Animal Cruelty Act, registered at Police Station Pinangwan, District Nuh (Mewat).

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has vehemently contended that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case based solely on the secret information, without any cogent evidence to show his involvement. It is submitted that the petitioner was named in the FIR merely on the basis of information provided by a secret informer, and there is no independent corroboration of the allegations against him by any witness or member of the raiding team.

3. It is further argued that no accused was apprehended from



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the spot, and the case of the prosecution hinges on the identification purportedly made by the secret informer under the cover of darkness, which raises serious doubts about its reliability. Additionally, learned counsel submits that the petitioner has no connection with the alleged location or the vehicle mentioned in the FIR. It is also emphasized that despite prior information and the presence of multiple members in the raiding party, no accused was caught at the spot, which according to the learned counsel casts further doubt on the case of the prosecution.

4. I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner and perused the material on record.

5. *Prima facie*, the allegations against the petitioner are serious and specific. As per the FIR, the police recovered 93 kgs of beef, a jaw and 02 cow skins with oozing blood from the spot; 04 live calves tied up mercilessly, 01 ox, 05 knives, 02 sharpening instruments, a 6 feet long rope, 02 axes, and a computerized weighing scale along with a Hero Splendor Plus motorcycle carrying a sack containing another 01 kgs of beef.

6. The nature and gravity of the allegations, therefore, indicate the commission of an offence of considerable seriousness, which has wider ramifications for public order and religious sentiments. The material collected during the investigation *prima facie* suggests the involvement of multiple persons in the illicit slaughtering of cows. The mere fact that no accused was not apprehended at the spot does not, by itself, discredit the case of the prosecution at this stage, particularly when the recovery of incriminating material corroborates the



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allegations.

7. In view of the aforementioned facts and circumstances, this Court does not deem it fit to extend the extraordinary concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner. The instant petition stands dismissed accordingly.

8. 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.

18.02.2025

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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

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