

2025:PHHC:069647



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-10677-2025

Date of decision: May 22, 2025

KULWANT SINGH

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Pardeep Goyal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Rana, Sr. DAG, Punjab
With ASI Sukhdev Singh.

Mr. Jagdeep Singh, Advocate
for the complainant.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023 for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.0007 dated 29.08.2020, under Sections 420, 406, 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station NRI, District Ferozepur (Annexure P-1).
2. On 25.02.2025, the petitioner had been granted interim anticipatory bail with direction to join investigation and the relevant part of the said order reads as under: -

“Learned counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, contends that when the complaint was initially made, a detailed enquiry was carried out, however, no wrongdoing was found on the part of the petitioner. It is 04 years thereafter, the police was attempting to arrest him without there being any material change in circumstances. Furthermore, it has been submitted that although as per the case of the prosecution, an amount of approximately Rs.16,70,000/- was transferred into the account of the petitioner, however, it is also a matter of record that the said amount was transferred into the account of co-accused,



Pankaj Garg, wife of Yograj Garg, who was also a shareholder in the management of the school. It has still been argued that even otherwise, a perusal of the FIR reveals that there are specific allegations against the petitioner with respect to the alleged fraud.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has reiterated that in compliance of order dated 25.02.2025, 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. He, on further instructions, submits that the petitioner is not required for further investigation, much less for his custodial interrogation.

5. In view of the above, the petition is allowed, and interim order dated 25.02.2025, is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C./482(2) BNSS.

May 22, 2025
Jaspreet Kaur

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : *Yes/No*

Whether reportable : *Yes/No*