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

**CRM-M-10558-2025 (O&M)
Date of decision : 08.04.2025**

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.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present: Mr. Piyush Setia, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. S.S. Chahal, AAG, Punjab.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J.

Present petition under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short, 'the B.N.S.S.') has been filed for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner in FIR No.257 dated 04.12.2024, under Sections 118(1) 115(2), 190 and 118(2) read with Section 191(3) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, registered at Police Station City-1, Abohar, District Fazilka.

(2) Allegations are that the petitioner along with co-accused formed an unlawful assembly and in prosecution of their object of that unlawful assembly inflicted injuries on the person of *de facto* complainant Prakash Kaur with their respective weapons.

(3) Status report by way of affidavit dated 07.04.2025 of Sukhwinder Singh Brar, PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub-Division Abohar, District Fazilka on behalf of respondent, is taken on record. Copy thereof supplied to the opposite side. Registry to do the needful.



(4) Learned counsel contends that petitioner was granted interim bail by this Court, vide order dated 25.02.2025 and in pursuance thereof, he has already joined the investigation; hence, his custodial interrogation is not required.

(5) Learned State counsel, on instructions from the quarter concerned, acknowledged the above factual position, and submits that as on today, custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required.

(6) Heard learned Counsel for the parties and perused the paper-book.

(7) It transpires that petitioner was granted interim bail by this Court, vide order dated 25.02.2025 and the order reads as under:-

“Contends, inter alia, that petitioner is ready to settle the matter amicably with the de-facto complainant; but he be protected.

Notice of motion.

Mr.Kunwarbir Singh, learned AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State; seek time to have instructions and/or to file written response in the matter.

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In the meanwhile, petitioner shall join investigation before the Investigating Officer; but he be not arrested till the next date of hearing.”

(8) It is duly acknowledged by learned State Counsel that in pursuance of the aforesaid order, petitioner has joined investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required.

(9) In view of the above, there is no justification to deny the concession of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner. Consequently, present



petition is allowed; interim order dated 25.02.2025 is made absolute subject to the conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of the BNSS.

(10) It is also made clear that petitioner shall fully co-operate with the Investigating Officer as and when called for further investigation.

(11) The above observations be not construed as an expression of opinion on merits of the case; rather confined only to decide the bail matter.

(12) It is also clarified that in case of any recurrence on the part of petitioners, State would be at liberty to move an appropriate application for recalling of this order.

Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed off.

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**(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)
JUDGE**

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