



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

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CRM-M-11299-2025(O&M)
Date of Decision: 04.04.2025

Taufeek @ Tofik

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present: None for the petitioner.

Mr. Neeraj Sheoran, DAG, Haryana.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J.

Present petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short, 'BNSS') for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner in FIR No. 233 dated 15.12.2024, under Sections 5/13(2), 8/13(3), 3/13(1), 17 of Haryana Gauvansh Sanrakshan and Gausamvardhan Act, 2015, Section 11 of Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960, registered at Police Station Pinangwan, District Nuh.

2. Allegations are that petitioner alongwith co-accused were seen slaughtering of the cattle.

3. Status report by way of affidavit dated 26.03.2025 of Mr. Ajayb Singh, HPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Firojpur Jhirka has been filed on behalf of respondent, which is taken on record. Registry to tag the same at appropriate place.



4. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI-Jagram, submits that petitioner has joined the investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required.

5. Heard learned State counsel and perused the paper-book.

6. It transpires that petitioner was granted interim bail by this Court on 28.02.2025 and the order reads as under:-

“Contends, inter alia, that petitioner was not present at the time of alleged occurrence.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Kiran Pal Singh, learned AAG, Haryana accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State; seeks 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.”

7. 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.

8. 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 28.02.2025 is made absolute subject to the conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) BNSS.

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



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

11. It is also clarified that in case of any recurrence on the part of petitioner, 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.

04.04.2025

Harish Kumar

(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No