



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

CRM-M-14560-2025

Date of Decision:06.05.2025

Ashok Kumar

...Petitioner

vs.

State of Haryana

...Respondent

Coram : Hon'ble Mr. Justice N.S.Shekhawat

Present : Mr. Charanjit Singh Bakhshi, Advocate (through VC)
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ravish Kaushik, Addl. Advocate General, Haryana.

Mr. Manish Bansal, Public Prosecutor, UT Chandigarh with
Ms. Diksha Sharma, Advocate, assisted by
Mr. Narinder Patial, SHO, Sector-3, Chandigarh.

Mr. Vinod Ghai, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Arnav Ghai, Advocate,
Mr. Dhruv Trehan, Advocate/Amicus Curiae.

Mr. P.S.Ahluwalia, Advocate/Amicus Curiae with
Ms. Bhavi Kapur, Advocate.

N.S.Shekhawat J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 with a prayer to grant regular bail to him in case FIR No.22 dated 31.12.2024, registered under Sections 7, 13(1)(B), 13(2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and Section 238 of BNS, at Police Station Anti Corruption Bureau, Karnal.

2. Vide an interim order dated 21.04.2025 passed by this Court, this Court had directed the officials of the State of Haryana to file certain affidavits. Thereafter, various affidavits have been filed by the officials of State of Haryana and the same are taken on record.

3. During the course of hearing today, learned State counsel has submitted that the ADGP, Anti Corruption Burea, Haryana has issued instructions to all the Superintendents of Police of Anti Corruption Bureau in

the State of Haryana that they should follow the Standard Operating Procedure of CBI in trap cases to improve the quality of investigation in such cases.

4. In view of the stand taken by learned State counsel, no further directions are required to be passed by this Court.

5. Still further, vide an interim order dated 21.03.2025 passed by this Court, the petitioner was ordered to be released on interim bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate/Chief Judicial Magistrate concerned.

6. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is on interim bail since then and has not misused the concession of bail in any manner.

7. Even learned State counsel is not in a position to controvert the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner.

8. Consequently, the present petition is allowed and the interim order dated 21.03.2025, passed by this Court is made absolute. The petitioner shall continue to appear before the trial Court on each and every date of hearing and shall not absent from the trial Court proceedings, without prior permission of the trial Court.

9. In the end, this Court records deep appreciation for Mr. Vinod Ghai, Senior Advocate, Mr. Arnav Ghai, Advocate, Mr. Dhruv Trehan, Advocate, Mr. P.S. Ahluwalia, Advocate and Ms. Bhavi Kapur, Advocate/learned Amicus Curiae, who have rendered their able assistance to this Court.

06.05.2025

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(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

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