



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

212**CRM-M No.14977 of 2025****Date of decision: 05.05.2025**

Gurdial Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.. Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S. GREWAL

Present:- Mr. Anil Kumar Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Kamalpreet Bawa, DAG, Punjab.

H.S. Grewal, J. (Oral)

This is a petition for anticipatory bail filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, (BNSS), 2023 in case bearing FIR No.5 dated 07.01.2025 under Sections 420, 406, 120-B IPC and Section 13 of Punjab Prevention of Human Smuggling Act, registered at Police Station Civil Line, Patiala.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been named as an accused in the aforementioned FIR wherein it is alleged that an amount of Rs.38000/- was transferred by the complainant to the petitioner's account at the behest of Paramjit Singh, who is son of the petitioner. The petitioner is stated to be of more than 65 years of age and has nothing to do with the said transaction or in promising the complainant to send his son and nephew abroad.

3. This Court, vide order dated 20.03.2025, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was ordered to be released on ad-interim bail to the satisfaction



of the Investigating/Arresting Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

4. Learned State counsel states that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for custodial interrogation.

5. In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner especially when the petitioner having joined investigation, the order dated 20.03.2025 granting interim bail to the petitioner is **made absolute**.

6. However, the petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. He shall also join investigation as and when called upon to do so.

7. The petition stands allowed.

(H.S. GREWAL)
JUDGE

05th May, 2025
Sonia Puri

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