

209 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-15004-2025 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 30.04.2025

MUKESH KUMAR

...Petitioner

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Bhupinder Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG Punjab.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR J. (Oral)

1. Instant petition is preferred under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.485 dated 03.11.2024 under Sections 115(2), 311, 61(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, registered at Police Station Zirakpur, District SAS Nagar.

2. On 01.04.2025, following order was passed:

"Instant petition is preferred under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.485 dated 03.11.2024 under Sections 115(2), 311, 61(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, registered at Police Station Zirakpur, District SAS Nagar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, contends that the injuries suffered by the complainant are admittedly simple in nature. The real facts have been twisted to aggravate the offence to make it a case of snatching. The petitioner has a prima facie alibi regarding his presence in Patiala at the time of alleged incident. Further, the parties have effected a compromise after registration of FIR (supra), as discernible from affidavit of the complainant dated 28.02.2025 (Annexure P-3).

Notice of motion for 30.04.2025.

*Keeping in view the ratio of law enunciated by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **Satender Kumar Antil Vs. CBI (2022) 10***

SCC 51; Siddharam Satlingappa Mhetre Vs. State of Maharashtra and others 2010 SCC OnLine SC 137; Gurbaksh Singh Sibbia etc. Vs. State of Punjab (1980) 2 SCC 565, Arnesh Kumar Vs. State of Bihar (2014) 8 SCC 273 and Sushila Aggarwal Vs. State of NCT Delhi 2020 (1) RCR (Criminal) 833, the petitioner is directed to appear before Investigating Officer within a period of two weeks from today and thereafter, as directed by the Investigating Officer. In the event of arrest, the petitioner will be admitted to interim anticipatory bail on furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of Investigating/Arresting Officer. The petitioner shall cooperate with the investigation/Arresting Officer and abide by the conditions as provided under Section 482(2) of BNSS (erstwhile Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973).

If the Arresting Officer does not permit the petitioner to join the investigation, he would appear before learned Illaqa Magistrate, who would then summon the Arresting Officer and direct him to join the petitioner in the investigation, in terms of the order of this Court.

Nothing observed hereinabove shall be construed as an expression of opinion by this Court and learned trial Court shall decide the case on its own merits, strictly in accordance with law.”

3. Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Ravinder Singh, submits that in compliance of order dated 01.04.2025 passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for further custodial interrogation.

4. Keeping in view the statement made by learned State Counsel the order dated 01.04.2025, is made absolute. The petitioner shall abide by the terms and conditions enumerated in Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

5. The petition is accordingly disposed of.

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

30.04.2025
Ajay Goswami

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