



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-20911-2025
Decided on: 29.07.2025

RASHPAL SINGH
.....Petitioner
Versus
STATE OF PUNJAB
.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: Ms. Anmol Thakur, Advocate, for
Mr. Sandeep Arora, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Manjinder Singh Bhullar, DAG, Punjab.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J.

1. On 03.05.2025, following order was passed:-

“1. Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438 Cr.P.C.), is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, who has been booked in a criminal case arising out of First Information Report, as detailed hereunder:-

Name & age of Petitioner (s)	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Rashpal Singh, aged about 63 years	164	23.11.2024	420, 406 IPC and Section 13 of Punjab Travel Professionals (Regulation) Act, 2014	Subhanpur	Kapurthala

2. By seeking concession of anticipatory bail, petitioner’s counsel contends that though there is allegation of defrauding the complainant for an amount of Rs.13,50,000/- under the pretext of sending him to Portugal, whereas, after taking him to Dubai on 15.10.2022, he was brought back to India on 05.11.2022.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner further contends that in the present case, FIR has been registered after a gap of two years i.e. on 23.11.2024.



Further submits that nothing has been paid to the petitioner, neither in cash nor in his bank account and the firm in the name of which the amount is deposited, is being run by the co-accused Ms. Inderjit Kaur Chhabra and Sham Chhabra.

Thus, there being no evidence against the petitioner to connect him with the crime in question, learned counsel prays for grant of concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the present case.

4. *Notice of motion.*

5. *On advance notice, learned State counsel puts in appearance on behalf of the respondent – State, and seeks some time to respond to the submissions addressed by learned counsel opposite, after seeking instructions. And, in case of necessity, to file status report.*

6. *Adjourned to 29.07.2025.*

7. *In the meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation as and when required to do so by the Investigating Agency. In the event of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on ad-interim bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer. The petitioner shall also be abide by all the conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).*

8. *Besides, it is directed that petitioner would hand over his passport to the Investigating Agency or to Court concerned, if he possesses. Otherwise, would submit an affidavit, disclosing the fact that he does not possess any passport.*

It is also directed that before leaving country any time during trial, petitioner would seek prior permission of the Court.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that in compliance of the order dated 03.05.2025, passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined the investigation, and has fully co-operated.

4. Learned State counsel on instructions, confirms the said averment and submits that the custodial interrogation of the petitioner would not be required now for the purpose of investigation.

5. Heard learned counsel for the parties.



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6. Since the petitioner has joined the investigation and since custodial interrogation is no more required, present petition is allowed and ad-interim order dated 03.05.2025, passed by this Court is hereby made absolute.

However, petitioner shall continue to join the investigation as and when required to do so and abide by all the terms and conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

7. Accordingly, petition stands disposed of.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

29.07.2025

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Whether Speaking/Reasoned: YES/NO
Whether Reportable: YES/NO