



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-26265-2024
Date of decision: 20.02.2025

ANESSHPETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF PUNJABRESPONDENT

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present:- Mr. Surmeet Singh Sandhu, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajinder Singh Bhatta, DAG, Punjab.

SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

By way of present petition filed under Section 438 of Cr.P.C.,
petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR (Annexure P-1) as under:

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
172	14.08.2023	318, 315, 120-B of IPC and 304, 201 of IPC added later on.	Sultanpur Lodhi, District Kapurthala.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance to the orders dated 14.01.2025 and 31.01.2025 passed by this Court, the petitioner has already joined the investigation and as such prayed for confirming the interim bail granted vide orders dated 14.01.2025 and 31.01.2025.
3. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Harbhajan Singh, intimates the Court that the petitioner has joined investigation and is neither required for further investigation nor for any custodial interrogation.



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4. During the course of hearing on 14.01.2025, following order was passed:

“ Arguments heard.

Record perused.

As per the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner was not in India at the relevant time and has placed on record the copy of the passport (Annexure P-3).

Learned State counsel on instructions from Inspector Hargurdev Singh submits that apart from the disclosure statement of co-accused Anjali, aged about 21 years, no other evidence has come on record against the petitioner.

Be that as it may, the petitioner is hereby directed to join investigation within seven days from today and co-operate in the same. In the event of the arrest of the petitioner, he shall be released on interim bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. He shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) BNSS.

List on 31.01.2025 ”

5. Keeping in view the above submissions made by learned State counsel and the fact that the petitioner had joined the investigation consequent to the orders dated 14.01.2025 and 31.01.2025 passed by this Court, interim bail granted vide orders dated 14.01.2025 & 31.01.2025 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 482 (2) of BNSS, 2023. Further the petitioner is directed to join investigation as and when required in future by way of written notice for such purpose to be served by Investigating Officer of this case upon the petitioner; he will not tamper with the evidence nor will influence the witnesses and will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court.



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- 6. The petition stands allowed.
- 7. It is made clear that anything contained hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |