



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-24528-2025 (O&M)
Date of decision: 04.11.2025
...Petitioner

SHUBHAM ANEJA

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : Mr. Ashish Bhagat, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Jasjit Singh, DAG, Punjab

AMAN CHAUDHARY. J.

1. Prayer in the present petition filed under Section 482 BNSS, 2023 is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.216 dated 10.10.2024, registered under Sections 419, 420, 468, 471 and 120-B of IPC, at Police Station City Rajpura, District Patiala, Punjab.
2. On 06.05.2025, this Court had passed the following order:-

Anticipatory Bail Under Section			482 BNSS
FIR No.	Dated	Police Station	Sections
216	10.10.2024	City, Rajpura District Patiala	419, 420, 468, 471 and 120-B of IPC

Notice served upon the official respondent through the State's counsel.

The Senior Most Investigator conducting the investigation in the FIR captioned above is to file/hand over the status report/instructions positively before the next date, failing which the concerned Superintendent of Police or an equivalent or higher Police Officer shall file/hand over their Reply/Response/Instructions/Status report by the extended date, and if it is still not filed, the concerned Inspector General of police shall have to file it.

The Reply/Response/Instructions/Status report shall also mention the following, under headings:

- A. The evidence based on which the petitioner was arraigned as an accused.
- B. The evidence against the petitioner.



- C. The role of the petitioner.
- D. In case of dismissal of this peon, would the police arrest the petitioner in this FIR, and do they need the accused's police custody?
- E. Petitioner's criminal antecedents, except the FIRs in which petitioner was absolved, discharged, or acquitted.

In the meantime, the petitioner's arrest shall remain stayed in the FIR captioned above until further orders, subject to petitioner's joining investigation on 26.05.2025 and 27.05.2025 at 10.00 A.M.

List on 01.07.2025."

- 3. Learned counsel submits that in pursuance to the order dated 06.05.2025 passed by this Court, the petitioner has not only joined investigation but also fully cooperated with the investigating agency. He further submits that in case the investigating agency requires the petitioner to appear, he shall make himself available without demur.
- 4. Learned State counsel on instructions from Investigating Officer affirms the factum of joining the investigation by the petitioner and cooperating with the investigating agency. He also submits that at this stage, the petitioner is not required for further custodial interrogation.
- 5. In view of the above and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, anticipatory bail petition filed by the petitioner is allowed and the order dated 06.05.2025 granting interim bail to him, is hereby made absolute, subject to compliance of conditions as specified under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. (now 482(2) of BNSS, 2023).
- 6. However, it is made clear that if the petitioner fails to join and cooperate with the investigating agency as and when required, the State would be at liberty to move an application for cancellation of the present anticipatory bail granted to him.

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

04.11.2025
Vishal Vardhan

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