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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

209 CRM-M-26044-2025 (O&M)
Decided on : 17.09.2025

JAGTAR SINGH AND ANOTHER . . . PETITIONERS

VS.

STATE OF PUNJAB . . . RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

PRESENT: Mr. Vishal Thakur, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Manjinder Singh Bhullar, DAG, Punjab.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (Oral)

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

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2. On 13.05.2025, following order was passed:-

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2. *Learned counsel for the petitioners, inter alia, contends that except offence u/s 308(3) of BNS, 2023, all other offences are bailable. There being no direct evidence against the petitioners for extortion of an amount along with substantive evidence thereon, petitioners deserve the concession of anticipatory bail. Moreover, for examining the allegations, custodial interrogation, would not be required.*

Besides, petitioners are ready to join investigation, and to cooperate with the Investigating Agency. Thus, prays for grant of concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioners in the present case.

3. *Notice of motion.*

4. *On advance notice, Mr. Luvinder Sofat, Senior DAG, Punjab 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.*

5. *Adjourned to 01.08.2025.*

6. *In the meanwhile, the petitioners are directed to join the investigation as and when required to do so by the Investigating Agency. In the event of their arrest, the petitioners shall be released on ad-interim bail,*

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subject to their furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer. The petitioners shall also be abide by all the conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).

7. *Besides, it is directed that petitioners would hand over their passport to the Investigating Agency or to Court concerned, if he possesses. Otherwise, would submit an affidavit, disclosing the fact that they 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.*

8. *To be heard along with CRM-M-21162-2025”.*

3. Continuing his submissions, learned counsel for the petitioners contends that in compliance of the order dated 13.05.2025, passed by this Court, petitioners have joined the investigation, and have fully co-operated. Therefore, he prays for confirmation of the said interim anticipatory bail order.

4. Learned State counsel on instructions, confirms the said averment made by learned counsel for the petitioners of joining the investigation on 19.05.2025, by the petitioners, and submits that as of now, custodial interrogation of the petitioners are not required for the purpose of investigation.

5. Heard learned counsel for the parties.

6. Since, petitioners have already joined the investigation and custodial interrogation is no more required; ad-interim bail order dated 13.05.2025, passed by this Court is hereby made absolute. Accordingly, present petition is allowed.

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However, petitioners 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

September 17, 2025
Poonam Sharma

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned:</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable:</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>