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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-32341-2025

Date of decision: August 04, 2025

Sarabjeet Kaur and another

....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Ms. Savita Sisodia, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Jasjit Singh, DAG Punjab.

SUMEET GOEL, J. (ORAL)

1. Present petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') for grant of concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioners in case FIR No.11 dated 06.04.2025, under Sections 406, 420, 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (for short 'IPC') and Section 24 of the Immigration Act, 1983, registered at Police Station NRI, Police Commissionerate and District, Jalandhar.

2. On 08.07.2025, the following order was passed:

"Counsel for the petitioners, inter alia, contends that the alleged offence of cheating etc. is of the year 2021 whereas the FIR in question was registered in April, 2025; the complainant has settled the matter with the main accused namely Harpinder Kaur Khara & the petitioners are willing to join investigation and cooperate therein.

Notice of motion.



On the strength of advance notice; Mr. Jatinder Pal Singh, Sr. DAG, Punjab has entered appearance on behalf of the respondent-State of Punjab.

Adjourned to 04.08.2025

The petitioners are directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 14.07.2025 at 11:00 A.M. in concerned Police Station and join investigation. In the event of arrest, the petitioners shall be released on interim bail subject to furnishing personal/surety bond(s) to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. As and when further called by Investigating Officer, the petitioners shall join the investigation. They shall abide by the condition(s) enumerated under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.”

3. Learned State counsel (on instructions from Inspector Amit Sandhu) has stated that pursuant to the order dated 08.07.2025, the petitioners have indeed joined investigation, but their custodial interrogation is required to effect recovery of money allegedly defrauded by the petitioners.

4. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and upon perusal of the record, especially in view of the factum of the petitioners having joined investigation and their custodial interrogation being sought only for recovery of money allegedly defrauded by them, the interim order dated 08.07.2025 passed by this Court is made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

5. This order should not be treated as “blanket” order. It will not be read granting petitioners indefinite protection from arrest. It shall be confined to the FIR mentioned *ibid* and will not operate in respect of any other incident that involves commission of an offence.

6. Liberty is reserved in favour of State/complainant to move for cancellation/recall of this order in case the petitioners violate any condition



stipulated under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 or upon showing any other sufficient cause.

- 7. Needless to say that anything observed herein above shall not be construed to be an opinion on the merits of the case.
- 8. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

August 04, 2025

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No