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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

**CRM-M-32917-2025
DECIDED ON: 20.06.2025**

BALJEET SINGH @ BITTU AND ANOTHER**.....PETITIONERS****VERSUS****STATE OF PUNJAB****.....RESPONDENT****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL**

Present: Mr. Jaspreet Singh Brar, Advocate
for the petitioners.

SANDEEP MOUDGIL, J (ORAL)**1. Prayer**

The jurisdiction of this Court has been invoked under Section 482 BNSS, 2023 for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners in FIR NO. 81 Dated 20.04.2025 under Sections 110, 333, 115(2), 324(4), 351(2), 191(3), 190 BNS 2023 registered at Police Station Sadar, Distt. Faridkot (Annexure P-1).

2. Prosecution story setup in the present case as per the version in the FIR as under:-

“Statement of Puran Singh son of Bhupinder Singh son of Jeet Singh resident of Village Arayanwala, Distt. Faridkot aged about 43 years mobile No. 62392-27882. It is stated that I am resident of above stated address and does the work of agriculture. I have two children, one daughter Navjot Kaur is studying in foreign country Canada and younger son Jiwan Singh who is at home after passing the 12th Class. On dated 19.04.2025 at about 05.14/15 of evening I was present in

the house alongwith my family members, then suddenly Jagmeet Singh @ Jagga son of Bhupinder Singh armed with axe (Kuhari), Jagmohan Singh @ Mohna son of Pappu Singh armed with iron pipe fitted with grari, Dalbir Singh @ Deera son of Shinder Singh armed with gandasi, Jaspal Singh @ Jassa son of Pappu Singh armed with stick, Baljit Singh @ Bittu son of Dayal Singh armed with iron rod, Gurjit Singh son of Pritam Singh armed with Gandasi, Buta Singh son of Sukha Singh armed with iron rod, Sukhpal Singh @ Choopni son of Resham Singh armed with dang and Akashdeep Singh @ Akashi son of Manjit Singh armed with kirpan all residents of village Arayanwala entered our house and started hurling abuses in a loud voice and started damaging the glass windows and doors of our house. When I and my son Jiwan Singh asked them to stop then Jagmit Singh @ Jagga attacked me with the Axe (Kuhari) with an intention to murder me and the said axe (Kuhari) hit me at the right side of my forehead above the eyebrow and Jagmohan Singh @ Mohna attacked with the pipe which hit me at my left thigh. Then I and my son Jiwan Singh raised hue and cry in a loud voice and then they all of them while passing threats ran away from the spot after causing damaging to our household articles LCD, Glass doors and windows and while going they also damaged our CCTV camera installed in our courtyard. The grudge behind the occurrence is that on my statement earlier to this, one FIR was registered against jagmit Singh @ Jagga and other persons at Police station Sadar, Faridkot. That in order to put the pressure for compromise in the said FIR, they all of them entered into our house and caused damaged to our windows and doors, household articles LCD and other items. And also caused injury at my forehead with axe with an intention to murder and also damaged the camera. So it is requested that legal action be taken against all of them. Statement given, heard, same is correct. Sd/- Puran Singh, Puran Singh above said, witnessed by Sd/- Jiwan Singh son of Puran Singh resident of Arayanwala Kalan, attested Sd/- Raj Singh ASI, P.S. Sadar Faridkot, 20.04.2025.”

3. Contention

On behalf of the petitioners

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioners has been falsely implicated in the present case and it is a case of version and cross version. He further submits that as per the FIR, no specific injury or role is attributed to the petitioners. He asserts that there is a delay of 24 hours in lodging the FIR. The attention of this Court has been drawn to the orders dated 20.05.2025 (Annexure P-2) passed in CRM-M-27841-2025, 23.05.2025 (Annexure P-3) passed in CRM-M-29050-2025, 28.05.2025 (Annexure P-4) passed in CRM-M-30278-2025 vide which similarly situated co-accused persons have already been granted the concession of interim bail. He undertakes on behalf of the petitioners that they are ready and willing to join the investigation.

Notice of motion.

On behalf of the State/complainant

On the asking of Court, Mr. Jasjit Singh Rattu, DAG Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondent/State. He candidly admits that there is no role or specific injury has been attributed to the petitioners.

Mr. Kanwaljit Singh Brar, Advocate has put in appearance on behalf of the complainant and prays for dismissal of the present petition urging that the petitioners have given bribe to the doctor for providing false and fabricated medico legal report on account of which an FIR No.0159 dated 20.04.2025 under Section 61(2) and 8 of BNS has been registered against them.

4. Analysis

Be that as it may, upon thoughtful consideration of the submissions made hereinabove particularly the fact that no specific role or injury has been attributed to the petitioners, and that similarly situated co-accused have already

been granted the concession of interim bail by a Co-ordinate Bench of this Court, this Court is of the considered view that custodial interrogation of the petitioners is not warranted. As regards the contention raised by learned counsel for the complainant, the same pertains to matters of evidence, which are to be examined either by the Investigating Officer during the course of investigation or by the Trial Court at the appropriate stage

In the light of above, this Court is of the considered view that there is no valid or cogent reason to deny the bail to the present petitioners, wherein they have *bona fide* intentions and are ready and willing to join the investigation and cooperate for furtherance of the same so that the final report can be submitted by the Investigating Agency in time.

5. **Relief:-**

Hence, the petitioners are directed to be released on anticipatory bail subject to their joining investigation with the Investigating Officer concerned within a period of one week from today, on furnishing of personal/surety bonds to his satisfaction. The petitioners shall also abide by the terms and conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of BNSS, which are reproduced below:-

‘When the High Court or the Court of Session makes a direction under sub-section (1), it may include such conditions in such directions in the light of the facts of the particular case, as it may think fit, including-

(i) a condition that the person shall make himself available for interrogation by a police officer as and when required;

(ii) a condition that the person shall not, directly or indirectly, make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer;

(iii) a condition that the person shall not leave India without the previous permission of the Court;

(iv) such other condition as may be imposed under sub-section (3) of section 480, as if the bail were granted under that section.'

However, it is made clear that in case the petitioners do not comply with the aforesaid direction of joining the investigation within a period of one week, the order passed by this Court today shall automatically stands cancelled.

In the aforesaid terms, the present petition stands allowed.

(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)
JUDGE

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<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>