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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-33701-2025

Date of decision: August 21, 2025

Karamjeet Singh and others

....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. S.K. Gupta, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Jaypreet 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.53 dated 28.03.2025, under Sections 115(2), 118(1), 351(2), 126(2), 191(3) and 190 of the BNS, 2023, registered at Police Station Sadar Khanna, District Ludhiana.
2. On 22.07.2025, the following order was passed:

“Apprehending their arrest in FIR No.53 dated 28.03.2025 registered for offences punishable under Sections 115(2), 118(1), 351(2), 126(2), 191(3), 190 of the BNS, 2023, at Police Station Sadar Khanna, District Ludhiana; the petitioners have preferred this petition under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking pre-arrest bail.

Inter alia contends that the petitioners have been falsely implicated into the FIR in question on account of money dispute; assuming the prosecution version is taken to be correct, at this stage, the injuries attributed to the petitioners are simple in nature, & the petitioners are willing to join investigation and cooperate therein.

Adjourned to 21.08.2025.

The petitioners are directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 29.07.2025 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 their 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) has submitted that pursuant to the order dated 22.07.2025, the petitioner have indeed joined investigation, and their custodial interrogation is not required.

4. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and upon perusal of the record, especially keeping in view the factum of the petitioners having joined investigation and their custodial interrogation not sought for by the State, the interim order dated 22.07.2025 is made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS.

5. Petition stands allowed, accordingly.

6. 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.

7. 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 or upon showing any other sufficient cause.

8. Needless to say that anything observed herein above shall not be construed to be an opinion on the merits of the case.

9. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

August 21, 2025

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Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No