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

CRM-M-38242-2024

Date of decision: 04.02.2025

Pargat Singh

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Gurinder S. Goraya, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Navdeep Singh, DAG, Punjab, with ASI Jaspal Singh.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking the concession of anticipatory bail, under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023, in case FIR No.22, dated 27.05.2024, under Sections 7(a), 7 of Prevention of Corruption Act and Section 120-B of IPC, registered at Police Station Vigilance Bureau, Patiala Range, Patiala.

On 01.10.2024, while noticing the following submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court had granted the concession of interim bail to the petitioner and asked him to join investigation:-

“Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that incriminating material has come to the fore which could in any manner link the petitioner with the prime accused Sher Singh and Karnail Singh (Ex. Member Panchayat), who was allegedly given ₹1.40 lacs by way of bribe by the complainant

for hushing up the case under the NDPS Act which was registered against the complainant Shera Singh. It has been further submitted that a Coordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 30.08.2024 had extended the concession of anticipatory bail to the identically placed co-accused Jaswinder Singh on the ground that no evidence had been found qua him with respect to any bribes having been demanded or accepted.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of order dated 01.10.2024, the petitioner has joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency.

Learned State counsel, on instructions, does not dispute the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency. As per order dated 17.12.2024, the petitioner has handed over the mobile set. He, on further instructions, submits that the petitioner is not required for further investigation much less for his custodial interrogation.

In view of the above, the petition is allowed and interim order dated 01.10.2024, is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C./482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

February 04, 2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No