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

CRM-M-35298-2025

Date of decision: August 13, 2025

Akwinder Kaur

....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. Arshpreet Khadial, Advocate for the petitioner.

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 petitioner in case FIR No.91 dated 11.05.2025, under Sections 103, 109, 115(2), 61(2), 3(5) of the BNS, 2023, registered at Police Station Talwandi Sabo, Bathinda.

2. On 08.07.2025, the following order was passed:

“Counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, contends that the petitioner is a lady aged 29 years, the petitioner is a lactating lady who has given birth to female twins on 08.06.2025, the incident alleged is dated 20.05.2025 wherein the petitioner was at an advance stage of pregnancy, no specific role was attributed to the petitioner in the FIR in question and she is sought to be implicated on the basis of a supplementary statement made on 15.05.2025 at the instance of the complainant & the petitioner is 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 05.08.2025.

The petitioner is 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 petitioner shall be released on interim bail subject to his furnishing personal/surety bond(s) to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. As and when further called by Investigating Officer, the petitioner shall join the investigation. She shall abide by the condition(s) enumerated under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.”

2.1. Thereafter, on 05.08.2025, the following order was passed:

“Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner was unable to join investigation on 14.7.2025 at 11:00 a.m. in the police station on account of ill health of her one of the newly born daughter. He seeks that another opportunity be afforded to the petitioner.

In the interests of justice, the petitioner is now directed to appear before the concerned Investigating Officer in the concerned police station on 8.8.2025 at 11:00 a.m. in terms of order dated 8.7.2025 earlier afforded to the petitioner.

Interim order to continue.

Put up on 13.8.2025.”

3. Learned State counsel (on instructions) has stated that pursuant to the order dated 05.08.2025, the petitioner has indeed joined investigation, and her custodial interrogation is not required.

4. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and gone through the record, the interim order dated 05.08.2025 is made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS.

5. This order should not be treated as “blanket” order. It will not be read granting petitioner 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 petitioner violates any condition



stipulated under Section 482(2) of BNSS 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 13, 2025

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No