

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

2025.PHHC:137377



(210)

**CRM-M-37553-2025
Decided on : 30.09.2025**

Akash Kalia

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.....Respondent(s)

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. Sukhbir Maandi, Advocate for the petitioner (s).

Mr. Jaypreet Singh, DAG, Punjab.

None for the complainant/respondent No.2.

Sumeet Goel (Oral):

1. Apprehending his arrest in FIR No.31 dated 26.04.2025 registered for offences punishable under Sections 420, 406, 120-B IPC at Police Station Chohla Sahib, District Tarn Taran; the petitioner has preferred this petition under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking pre-arrest bail.

2. On 02.09.2025, the following order was passed:

“Learned counsel for the petitioner has argued that the petitioner had helped the victim to go abroad. The said victim independently went abroad and after a couple of month, the licence of the company was cancelled in the United Kingdom. On that account, the victim is deported to India & the petitioner is willing to join investigation and cooperate therein.

Adjourned to 30.9.2025.

The petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 6.9.2025 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. He 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 the petitioner has joined investigation but his further custodial interrogation is required for effecting the recovery of money in question i.e. Rs.3 lakhs.

4. Having heard learned counsel for the rival parties and upon perusal of the record; especially keeping in view the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation & cooperated therein and his custodial interrogation being sought only for recovery of money in question; this Court is inclined to confirm the order dated 02.09.2025.

5. Accordingly, the petition is allowed and the order dated 02.09.2025 granting anticipatory bail to the petitioner is hereby made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS.

6. 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.

7. 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.

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 off.

September 30, 2025
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(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes/No
Whether Reportable :	Yes/No