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

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Date of decision:03.03.2025

ROOP SINGH

... Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Kamal Narula, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Inderjeet Singh Ladher, DAG, Punjab.

KARAMJIT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Prayer is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023 in criminal case having FIR No.08 dated 20.01.2024 registered under Section 15-C/27/29/61/85 of NDPS Act at Police Station Lambi, District Sri Muktsar Sahib.

2. The allegations in nutshell are that police recovered 160 kg of poppy husk from one abandoned XUV-500 car bearing No.PB09-AM-6171 which had met with an accident. During investigation it was found that the said vehicle was registered in the name of one Vikram Singh and thereafter the present petitioner was nominated as an accused on the basis of disclosure statement suffered by aforesaid Vikram Singh.

3. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case coupled with the fact that the petitioner was not involved in any other



criminal case, this Court granted interim bail to the petitioner vide previous order dated 09.01.2025 with direction to join investigation with the police.

4. Today, counsel for the petitioner apprised the Court that by virtue of the aforesaid order, the petitioner has joined investigation with the police.

5. Learned State counsel on instructions from SI Karamjit Kaur has not refuted the aforesaid assertions made by counsel for the petitioner and further stated that the petitioner is not required by the police for further investigation.

6. As the recovery in this case was effected from one abandoned XUV-500 and admittedly the petitioner is not registered owner of the said vehicle, exact complicity of the present petitioner with regard to aforesaid recovery of contraband will be established only during trial and further the petitioner is not required by the police for the purpose of any further investigation. In the given circumstances no purpose is going to be served even if the petitioner is subjected to custodial interrogation at this point of time.

7. In light of the above, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is hereby allowed and order of interim bail dated 09.01.2025 is hereby made absolute subject to the conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

(KARAMJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

03.03.2025
Priyanka Thakur

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No