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

CRM-M-53015-2024Date of Decision: **10.02.2025**

Gurpreet Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR**Present:** Ms. Poonam Verma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Nitesh Sharma, DAG, Punjab.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

1. The instant petition is preferred under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.70 dated 27.04.2021 under Sections 379/411 of IPC, 1860 registered at Police Station Bhawanigarh, District Sangrur (Annexure P-1).

2. On 11.11.2024, following order was passed by the co-ordinate Bench of this Court:

“The petitioner is seeking the concession of anticipatory bail in FIR No.70 dated 27.04.2021 for the offences under Sections 379/411 of the IPC registered at Police Station Bhawanigarh, District Sangrur.

Learned State counsel, on instructions, has not disputed that the petitioner was not named in the FIR in question, and rather came to be nominated as an accused on the basis of a disclosure statement allegedly suffered by co-accused Kuldeep Singh, who had allegedly stolen wheat bags from the shop of respondent No.2.

On a pointed query put to the learned State counsel as to whether any proceedings under Section 82 of the Cr.P.C./84 of the BNSS had ever been initiated against the petitioner, since FIR in question dates back to 27.04.2021, he on instructions, has replied in the negative.

Adjourned to 10.02.2025.

Meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation and appear before the investigating agency as and when called upon to do so. In the event of his arrest, he shall be admitted to interim bail on his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting/Investigating Officer. The petitioner shall abide by the terms and conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) BNSS/Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

3. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI, Sukhpal Singh submits that in compliance of order dated 11.11.2024 passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for further custodial interrogation.
4. Keeping in view the statement made by learned State Counsel, the order dated 11.11.2024, is made absolute. The petitioner shall abide by the terms and conditions enumerated in Section 482 (2) of BNSS, 2023.
5. The petition is accordingly disposed of.
6. Nothing observed here-in-above shall be construed to be an expression of opinion by this Court lest it may prejudice the trial. The learned trial Court is directed to proceed with the trial on its own merits, strictly in accordance with law.

10.02.2025
Parveen kumar

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

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