

CRM-M-53685-2024
Date of decision: 16.01.2025

...PETITIONER

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

Present: Ms. Manisha Goyal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG, Punjab.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

1. The instant petition is preferred under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023 (wrongly mentioned as 'BNNS' in the head note) seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.175 dated 19.08.2024, under Sections 420, 120-B, 465, 467, 468, 471 of the IPC, registered at P.S. City Jagraon, District Ludhiana (Rural).

2. On 29.11.2024, following order was passed:

“1. Through the instant petition, as instituted under Section 482 of the B.N.S.S., the petitioner seeks the concession of anticipatory bail, in case FIR No.175 dated 19.08.2024, under Sections 420, 120-B, 465, 467, 468, 471 of the IPC, registered at P.S. City Jagraon, District Ludhiana (Rural).

2. *The learned counsel for the petitioner inter alia submits that, the petitioner has neither been named in the FIR, nor any specific role has been attributed to her. The petitioner was working only as a Front Desk Employee in the agency run by the main accused Narinder Kaur Purewal.*

3. *Notice of motion for 16.01.2025.*

4. *Mr. Pardeep Bajaj, D.A.G., Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent.*



5. *In the meantime, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation and to appear before the investigating agency, as and when called upon to do so. In the event of her arrest, she shall be admitted to interim bail on her 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) of the B.N.S.S., 2023.*”

3. Learned State counsel, on instructions from SI Balraj, submits that in compliance of order dated 29.11.2024 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 29.11.2024, is made absolute. The petitioner shall abide by the terms and conditions enumerated in Section 482 (2) of B.N.S.S.

5. The petition is accordingly disposed of.

6. Nothing observed hereinabove 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.

January 16, 2025
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(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

(i)	Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
(ii)	Whether reportable	Yes/No