



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-53815-2025 (O&M)

Date of decision: 26.11.2025

Satnam Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : Mr. B.S. Seemar, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr. Manipal Singh Atwal, DAG Punjab

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J. (ORAL)

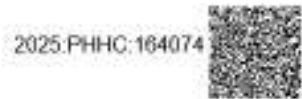
1. The present petition has been filed under Section 482 BNSS for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.145 dated 15.08.2025, registered under Section 7 of Prevention of Corruption Act, at Police Station City-1, District Sangrur.

2. On 23.09.2025, this Court had passed the following order:-

“Learned counsel contends that the petitioner has 33 years of unblemished service in the Indian Revenue Battalion and was posted in the District Jail on 19.02.2025, for performing duty in the high security zone with no access to the barracks. The amount that has been received online in his account from the family of convict-Mani was by way of return of the loan amount that he had paid to the mother of the said convict, who was doing cleaning work in his house, when Mani got involved in FIR No.186 dated 18.08.2022. It is highly improbable that the amount obtained as illegal gratification will be received online. No evidence much less of CCTV footage to connect the petitioner with the alleged offence of providing two packets of tobacco to the said convict. The petitioner is not involved in any other case. He is ready and willing to join the investigation as and when required by the investigating agency and will cooperate.

Notice of motion.

At the asking of the Court, Mr. M.S.Bajwa, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State.



Meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation on or before 01.10.2025. In the event of his arrest, he shall be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer, subject to compliance of conditions as enshrined under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

However, it is clarified that if the petitioner does not join and cooperate with the Investigating Agency as required by the Arresting/Investigating Officer, this interim order shall be deemed to have been vacated.

Adjourned to 26.11.2025. ”

- 3. Learned counsel submits that in pursuance of the afore-mentioned order, the petitioner has not only joined investigation but also fully cooperated with the investigating agency. He further submits that in case the investigating agency requires the petitioner to appear, he shall make himself available without demur.
- 4. Learned State counsel on instructions from HC Gurdeep Singh affirms the factum of joining the investigation by the petitioner and cooperating with the investigating agency. He also submits that at this stage, the petitioner is not required for further custodial interrogation.
- 5. In view of the above and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, anticipatory bail petition filed by the petitioner is allowed and the order dated 23.09.2025 granting interim bail to him, is hereby made absolute, subject to compliance of conditions as specified under Section 482(2) BNSS.
- 6. However, it is made clear that if the petitioner fails to join and cooperate with the investigating agency as and when required, the State would be at liberty to move an application for cancellation of the present anticipatory bail granted to him.

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

26.11.2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No