



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

(215)

CRM-M-54241-2025 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 22.12.2025

MANJEET SINGH

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE KIRTI SINGH

Present: Mr. Vipin Kumar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Aakanksha Gupta, AAG, Punjab.

KIRTI SINGH, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer in the present petition filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS'), is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, in case FIR No.212 dated 28.08.2025 registered under Sections 115(2), 351(2), 3(5) & 75 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 at Police Station City Rajpura, District Patiala.

2. Vide order dated 24.09.2025, passed by the Coordinate Bench of this Court, the petitioner was directed to join investigation. The said order is reproduced hereinafter:-

“On oral request made by learned counsel for the petitioner, complainant-Pooja is impleaded as respondent No.2 in the present petition. He has filed amended memo of parties in the Court which is taken on record. Registry shall tag the same in the paperbook at appropriate place.

The petitioner has filed the instant petition under 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No.212 dated 28.08.2025 registered under Sections 115(2), 351(2), 3(5) & 75 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 at Police Station City Rajpura, District Patiala.



Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner, who is father-in-law of the complainant, is innocent and has been falsely implicated in the present case. He submits that the genesis of the FIR in question is result of the matrimonial discord between the son of the petitioner and the complainant. He submits that the son of the petitioner had solemnized marriage with the complainant in the year 2020 and they had also filed protection petition before the learned Sessions Court, Bathinda and perusal of order dated 24.02.2020 passed by learned Sessions Judge, Bathinda on the said protection petition shows that the son of the petitioner and complainant were already living as a tenant in the house of one Nasib Kaur. He further submits that although, for sometime, they resided with the petitioner also, however, from the last one and a half year, they were living separately. He submits that the allegations levelled in the FIR against the petitioner are totally improbable. Even the alleged injuries are simple in nature. He further submits that co-accused Harpreet Kaur has already been granted concession of ad interim anticipatory bail by this Court vide order dated 22.09.2025 passed in CRM-M-52605-2025, which is pending for 22.12.2025. He also submits that the petitioner is not involved in any other case and is ready to join the investigation.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Adhiraj Singh, A.A.G., Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State and seeks time to file status report.

Let notice be issued to newly added respondent No.2, returnable on 22.12.2025.

In the meanwhile, arrest of the petitioner shall remain stayed. He shall join the investigation and co-operate with the investigating agency and shall not leave country without prior permission of this Court.

To be heard with CRM-M-52605-2025."

3. Learned State counsel on instructions from the investigating officer concerned, submits that in compliance of order dated 24.09.2025, the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for any further investigation.

4. Having considered the aforesaid facts and circumstances, the petition is allowed. Order dated 24.09.2025 passed by the Coordinate Bench of this Court, is hereby made absolute.

5. This order should not be treated as "blanket" order. It will not be read granting the petitioner(s) 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.

6. This order does not in any manner limit or restrict the rights or duties of the police or investigating agency to investigate into the charges against the petitioner(s).

7. The accused-petitioner(s) shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him or her from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer.

8. The accused-petitioner(s) shall not leave India without prior permission of the Court.

9. The accused-petitioner(s) shall join the investigation as and when called by the police.

10. It will be open to the police or the investigating agency to move to this Court for a direction under Section 483(3) of BNSS, 2023 (erstwhile Section 439(2) of Cr.P.C.) to arrest the accused-petitioner(s), in the event of violation of any term, such as absconding, non-cooperating during investigation, evasion, intimidation or inducement to witnesses with a view to influence outcome of the investigation or trial.

11. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, also stands disposed of.

(KIRTI SINGH)
JUDGE

December 22, 2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No