



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

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**CRM-M No.55724 of 2025
Date of decision : 6.11.2025**

Harjeet Kaur**Petitioner**

Versus

State of Punjab**Respondent**

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr Bipan Ghai, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Gurjas S. Gill, Advocate, for the petitioners
Mr. Jaypreet Singh, DAG, Punjab
Mr. Akash Singla, Advocate, for the complainant

SUMEET GOEL, J. (ORAL)

1. On 30.9.2025, the following order was passed:

'Apprehending their arrest in FIR No.144 dated 08.09.2025 registered for offences punishable under Sections 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, 120-B IPC at Police Station Pasyana, District Patiala; the petitioners have preferred this petition under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking pre-arrest bail.

Counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, contends that the petitioner is a lady aged 48 years, the FIR in question has civil overtones, a civil suit is already pending adjudication between the parties since the year 2021, the complainant earlier had preferred a criminal complaint which has since been dismissed & the petitioner is willing to join investigation and cooperate therein.

Notice of motion.

On the strength of advance notice; Mr. Gurpartap S. Bhullar, AAG, Punjab has entered appearance on behalf of the respondent-State of Punjab.

Adjourned to 06.11.2025.

To be heard alongwith CRM-M-55724-2025.

The petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 09.10.2025 at 11:00 A.M. in concerned Police Station and join investigation. In the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim bail subject to



furnishing personal/surety bond(s) to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. As and when further called by Investigating Officer, the petitioner shall join the investigation. She shall abide by the condition(s) enumerated under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.'

2. Learned State counsel (on instructions) submits that pursuant to the order dated 30.9.2025, the petitioners have joined investigation and are no longer required for custodial interrogation.

3. Learned counsel for the complainant has argued that there are direct and serious allegations against the petitioner and she ought not to be granted the concession of bail. Learned counsel has further submitted that in case petitioner is extended the concession of anticipatory bail, she may abscond from the process of justice and also interfere with the prosecution evidence.

3.1 Keeping in view the totality of facts and circumstances of the factual *milieu* of the case in hand; especially the petitioner having been joined and not required for further custodial interrogation by the State, this Court is inclined to confirm the interim order dated 30.9.2025.

4. In view of the above, the instant petition is allowed. The interim order dated 30.9.2025, passed by this Court is hereby confirmed, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS.

5. This order should not be treated as “blanket” order. It will not be read granting petitioners 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. Liberty is reserved in favour of State/complainant to move for



cancellation/recall of this order in case the petitioners violate any condition stipulated under Section 482(2) of BNSS or upon showing any other sufficient cause.

7. Needless to say that anything observed herein above shall not be construed to be an opinion on the merits of the case.

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

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