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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-56690-2025

Date of decision: November 11, 2025

Ravi Kumar

....Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. Kuldeep Sheoran, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Gurmeet Singh, AAG Haryana.

SUMEET GOEL, J. (ORAL)

Present petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') for grant of concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.4156 dated 26.03.2022, under Section 135 of the Indian Electricity Act, 2003, registered at Police Station I & P PS Hisar, District Hisar.

2. On 06.10.2025, the following order was passed:

“Apprehending his arrest in FIR No.4156 dated 26.03.2022, registered for offences punishable under Section 135 of the Indian Electricity Act, 2003, at Police Station I & P PS Hisar, District Hisar; the petitioner has preferred this petition under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking pre-arrest bail.

Inter alia contends that the petitioner is a poor farmer; he has been falsely implicated into the FIR in question; there is no direct evidence to substantiate allegations of theft against him, & he is willing to join investigation and cooperate therein.

Notice of motion.

On the strength of advance service of copy of petition, Mr. Vishal Singh, AAG Haryana appears and accepts notice on behalf of the respondent – State of Haryana.

Put up on 11.11.2025.

The petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 11.10.2025 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 his 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. He shall abide by the condition(s) enumerated under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.”

3. Learned State counsel (on instructions) has stated that pursuant to the order dated 06.10.2025, the petitioner has indeed joined investigation, and his custodial interrogation is not required.

4. Having heard learned counsel for the parties; upon perusal of the record and in view of the stance of the State, the interim order dated 06.10.2025 passed by this Court is made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

5. Petition stands allowed, accordingly.

6. This order should not be treated as “blanket” order. It will not be read granting petitioner 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.

7. Liberty is reserved in favour of State/complainant to move for cancellation/recall of this order, in case the petitioner violates any condition stipulated under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 or upon showing any other sufficient cause.

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

9. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

November 11, 2025

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Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No