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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-57732-2025

Amritpal Singh

....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

Date of decision: November 18, 2025

Date of Uploading: November 18, 2025

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. Deepinder Singh Virk, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Jaypreet Singh, DAG Punjab.

Mr. Sant Pal Singh Sidhu, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Udayveer Singh, Advocate and
Mr. Deepdaman Singh, Advocate for the complainant.

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.241 dated
16.09.2024, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 406, 420
& 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (for short 'IPC'), at Police Station
Tripri Patiala, Patiala.

2. On 14.10.2025, the following order was passed:

*“Apprehending his arrest in FIR No.241 dated 16.09.2024
registered for offences punishable under Sections 406, 420 and 120-B of
IPC, at Police Station Tripuri, District Patiala; the petitioner has
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 role
ascribed to the petitioner is only of identification on the sale deed, the*

petitioner is neither the beneficiary of transaction in any question nor any amount has come to his bank account & 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 18.11.2025.

The petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 18.10.2025 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 14.10.2025, the petitioner has indeed joined investigation, but his custodial interrogation is not required.

4. Learned Senior counsel for the complainant has vehemently opposed the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner by arguing that allegations against the petitioner are serious in nature, and in case, the petitioner is extended the concession of anticipatory bail, there is all likelihood that he may abscond from the process of justice and interfere in the prosecution evidence.

5. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and upon perusal of the record; especially in view of the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation and his custodial interrogation is not being sought by the State, the interim order dated 14.10.2025 passed by this Court is made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

6. Petition stands allowed, accordingly.

7. 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.

8. 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.

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

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

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

November 18, 2025

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No