



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-60458-2024
Date of decision: 14.01.2025

MUKHTIAR SINGHPETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF PUNJABRESPONDENT

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present:- Mr. Veer Vikram Singh Mann, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ankit Grewal, DAG, Punjab.

SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

By way of present petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS,
2023, petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR (Annexure P-1) as
under:

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
101	08.09.2024	420 and 406 of IPC	Moonak, District Sangrur, Punjab.

2. Mr. Sartaj Singh Chahal, Senior Superintendent of Police,
Sangrur, is present in Court and has assured that he will pass directions to
the police officials regarding the proper investigation in accordance to the
provisions of law.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance
to the order dated 03.12.2024 passed by this Court, the petitioner has
already joined the investigation and as such prayed for confirming the
interim bail granted vide order dated 03.12.2024.



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4. Learned State counsel intimates the Court that the petitioner has joined investigation and is neither required for further investigation nor for any custodial interrogation.

5. During the course of hearing on 03.12.2024, following order was passed:

“2. It is, inter alia, contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner, aged 74 years, having no criminal antecedents, has been falsely implicated in this case just to harass and pressurize the co-accused, namely Bikram Singh, who happens to be his son. He contends that the dispute between the complainant and the said Bikram Singh is regarding some money transaction and no amount whatsoever was paid to the petitioner. He contends that neither the petitioner has ever given any assurance nor duped the complainant in any manner. He contends that the petitioner has no concern with any such transaction as has been alleged by the complainant nor he is the beneficiary thereof. Hence, the instant petition seeking concession of bail.

3. Notice of motion, returnable for 19.12.2024.

4. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Rajinder Singh Bhatta, DAG, Punjab, present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the State-respondent and, on instructions from ASI Malkeet Singh, has not disputed the fact that amount was paid to the petitioner, however, he prays for time to file the status report/reply in the matter.

5. Mr. Gaurav, Advocate, has entered appearance on behalf of Mr. Sanjeev Goyal, Advocate, for the the complainant and filed his memo of appearance to assist learned State counsel in the matter. The same is taken on record.

6. Needful be done well before the date fixed with an advance copy to the counsel opposite.



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7. *In the meanwhile, the petitioner is hereby directed to join investigation within seven days from today and in the event of his arrest, he is ordered to be released on interim bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. He shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita 2023 (BNSS)."*

6. Keeping in view the above submissions made by learned State counsel and the fact that the petitioner had joined the investigation consequent to the order dated 03.12.2024 passed by this Court, interim bail granted vide order dated 03.12.2024 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 482 (2) of BNSS, 2023. Further the petitioner is directed to join investigation as and when required in future by way of written notice for such purpose to be served by Investigating Officer of this case upon the petitioner; he will not tamper with the evidence nor will influence the witnesses and will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court.

7. The petition stands allowed.

8. It is made clear that anything contained hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

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- i) Whether speaking/reasoned?
- ii) Whether reportable?

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

Yes/No
Yes/No