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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Date of Decision: 08.01.2025

POOJA SEHAJPAL

.. Petitioner

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. Tanveer Singh, Advocate for
Mr. Ankur Bansal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Yuvraj Singh Tiwana, Asstt. A.G., Punjab.

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SUMEET GOEL, J. (Oral)

1. This petition has been filed under Section 482 BNSS, 2023 for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No.205 dated 15.11.2024 under Sections 406, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B of IPC registered at Police Station Division No.8, Jalandhar.

2. On 04.12.2024, the following order was passed:-

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

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
205	15.11.2024	406, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B of IPC	Division No.8, Jalandahr

2. It is, inter alia, contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case by the complainant just to harass her and to extort money from her without there being any substance in the instant FIR (supra). He contends that the complainant wanted to upload the documents for the purpose of Visa and the petitioner just facilitated to upload all the documents from her ID. He contends that the complainant was in fact deported from Dubai on account of providing wrong information. He further contends that even from the perusal of the FIR (supra), it is evident that on the complaint moved by the complainant, a detailed inquiry was conducted and the District Attorney (Legal), had raised elaborate objections, which, however, were never removed by the Investigating Agency in a hurry to register the aforesaid FIR against the petitioner. He contends that the petitioner is not having any criminal antecedents. Hence, the instant petition seeking concession of bail.

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3. *Notice of motion.*
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 prays for time to file the status report/reply in the matter.*
5. *Adjourned to 08.01.2025.*
6. *Needful be done well before the date fixed with an advance copy to the counsel opposite.*
7. *In the meanwhile, the petitioner is hereby directed to join investigation within seven days from today and in the event of her arrest, she is ordered to be released on interim bail on her furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. She shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita 2023 (BNSS)."*

3. Status report, by way of affidavit of Rishabh Bhola, IPS, Assistant Commissioner of Police (North), Police Commissionerate Jalandhar has been filed by learned State counsel in the Court today and the same is taken on record.

4. Learned State counsel, on instructions from SI Jagdish Lal, has stated that pursuant to the order dated 04.12.2024, the petitioner has joined investigation but is not co-operating therein to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer especially qua the aspect of fake ITR having been prepared at the instance of the petitioner.

5. Keeping in view the entirety of facts and circumstances of the case, the petition is allowed and the interim order dated 04.12.2024, is hereby confirmed as the petitioner has joined investigation and she is not required to co-operate to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer.

6. This order should not be treated as "blanket" order. It will not be interpreted as 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

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stipulated under Section 482(2) 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 applications, if any, shall also stand disposed off.

08.01.2025

Jasmine Kaur

(SUMEET GOEL)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes	No
Whether reportable	Yes	No