



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-61994-2024
Date of decision: 15.01.2025

SATNAMPETITIONER

Versus

THE STATE OF PUNJABRESPONDENT

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present:- Mr. Varun Goyal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajinder Singh Bhatta, 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
91	02.08.2024	118(2), 115 (2), 118 (1), 191 (3), 190 of BNS, 2023 and 118 (2) of BNS added later on vide DDR No.34 dated 10.08.2024.	Sadar, Nakodar, District Jalandhar.

2. Status report dated 13.01.2025 in the form of an affidavit of Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division- Nakodar, Jalandhar Rural, has been filed. The same is taken on record. Copy thereof has been supplied to learned counsel for the petitioner.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance to the order dated 11.12.2024 passed by this Court, the petitioner has already joined the investigation and as such prayed for confirming the interim bail granted vide order dated 11.12.2024.



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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 11.12.2024, following order was passed:

“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. He further contends that the petitioner had already joined the investigation before incorporation of the offence under Section 118(2) of the BNS and was granted bail by the police. It is subsequent to the injury on the little finger being declared grievous that the offence under Section 118(2) of the BNS has been incorporated. He has contended that the petitioner himself has sustained 06 injuries including one grievous injury on his leg and has nothing to do with the alleged injury under Section 118(2) of the BNS. He contends that the petitioner is not having any criminal antecedents.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Ankit Grewal, DAG, Punjab, present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the State-respondent and, on instructions from ASI Jeewan Singh, admits that the petitioner had already joined the investigation on 10.08.2024 and was granted concession of bail by the police. It is also not disputed that the petitioner sustained 06 injuries out of which 01 injury was declared grievous on his leg. He prays for time to file the status report/reply in the matter.

5. Adjourned to 15.01.2025.

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 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 11.12.2024 passed by this Court, interim bail granted vide order dated 11.12.2024 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.

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |