



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-4619-2026

Date of decision :30.03.2026

JAGDISH SINGH

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present: Mr. Amitoj Singh Dhaliwal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Harkanwar Jeet Singh, Asstt. A.G., Punjab.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J. (ORAL)

On 30.01.2026, the following order was passed:-

“i) Present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C., read with Section 528 of the BNSS, seeking quashing/setting aside of the impugned order dated 13.08.2019 passed by the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Moga, whereby the petitioner was declared a Proclaimed Person in case FIR No. 130 dated 20.06.2018, registered under Sections 419, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, and 120-B IPC at Police Station City Moga, District Moga, Punjab.

ii) Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that petitioner has been settled in Malaysia since the year 2013 and lastly visited India in the year 2017. FIR in the present case against the petitioner and other co-accused was registered on 20.06.2018; therefore, petitioner was never aware of the pendency of any criminal proceedings against him.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further contends that since petitioner was settled in Malaysia, no notice or proclamation under Section 82 Cr.P.C. could ever be served upon him. By filing the instant petition, petitioner submits that he is now inclined to appear before the concerned Court to join the

process of law and, therefore, prays for grant of appropriate protection.

iii) Considering the submissions made, without going into the merits of the factual matrix of the case at this stage.

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iv) Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Senior DAG, Punjab, appears on behalf of the respondent-State.

v) Till the next date of hearing, the operation of the impugned order dated 13.08.2019 (P-2) shall remain stayed. It is further clarified that if the petitioner returns to India within five weeks, i.e., on or before 07.03.2026, he shall not be arrested pursuant to the registration of FIR No. 130 dated 20.06.2018, registered under Sections 419, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, and 120-B of the IPC at Police Station City Moga, District Moga, Punjab, so as to enable him (petitioner) to move an appropriate application regarding appearance/bail within one week of his arrival in India before the competent Court of law.

In deference to the aforementioned order, the petitioner has surrendered before the Court and has been granted bail vide order dated 13.02.2026 passed by the JMIC, Moga. The copy of the order dated 13.02.2026 is marked as X.

Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, the order dated 13.08.2019 passed by the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Moga, whereby the petitioner was declared a Proclaimed Person in case FIR No. 130 dated 20.06.2018, registered under Sections 419, 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, and 120-B IPC at Police Station City Moga, District Moga, Punjab stands quashed.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

30.03.2026
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Whether speaking/reasoned:- Yes/No
Whether reportable:- Yes/No