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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH
(206) CRM-M-12697-2026 (O & M)
Date of decision: 13.03.2026

Anil Kumar

.... Petitioner

V/s

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present: Mr. Vinod Ghai, Sr. Advocate, with
Mr. Arnav Ghai, Advocate and
Mr. Jeevanjot Singh Kang, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Vipul Sherwal, AAG, Haryana.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J. (Oral)

The prayer in the present petition under Section 483 BNSS, (earlier Section 439 Cr.P.C.) is for the grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.12 dated 16.04.2025 under Sections 7, 7A, 13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and Section 238 BNS (Section 201 IPC added later on) registered at Police Station ACB, Gurugram, District Anti Corruption Bureau, Gurugram.

2. The brief facts of the prosecution case are that on 11.7.2024 a complaint no. 276 dated 11.7.2024 by Rupesh Kumar was received in the office of Anti Corruption Bureau with regard to bribe in Food and Supply Department, Gurugram. It is alleged that the depot holders have been pressurized to give 10 % of the commission given by the Government to the depot holders. It is alleged that Vijay AFSO used to make collection from all the Depot Holders. Inspector Prem Puran Singh used to take 2 %, AFSO

Vijay 3 % and DFSE Anil Kumar 5 % share. He also alleged that DFSE Anil



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Kumar had obtained an I-phone 15 PRO of cost of Rs.1,21,000/- and Apple Watch cost of Rs.90,000/- from him after pressurizing him and the bills of these articles are in his name. Prem Puran Singh also installed AC in his house which is in his name. He alleged that the depot holders are pressurized to misappropriate in the distribution of ration and a monthly is fixed from each depot holder. In this way the commission of 10 % from the depot holders becomes in crores. In the month of April, Government had given the commission which is distributed AFSO Vijay and Anil Kumar DFSE between themselves. He also alleged that AFSO Vijay had obtained Rs.35,000/- from him in his own account. From his depot in the month of April the ration was distributed to 1000 persons but he was issued the ration of 5000 persons forcibly and the ration machines, which have given by the Government, they transferred in a fraud machine. They have committed scam in crores of which he has proof. On 05.07.202, the Government had transferred Rs.33,87,00,000/- in the accounts of depot holders. In Gurugram also several crores have come and they are demanding 10 % from depot holders. The depot holders in order to continue their work used to give 10 % to Vijay, Prem and Anil Kumar. He further alleged that several fake depots have been running in Gurugram and one single person runs 4-5 depot at his own and even their license have not been renewed. It is submitted that accused Anil Kumar used his two mobile number I.e. 9815994949 and 8901488344 on he mobile taken from him. He stated that legal action be taken against this person.

3. The learned Senior counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case on account of the

fact that the petitioner has got two FIRs registered against the present



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complainant who is a Depot Holder. Two co-accused of the petitioner, namely, Prem Puran Singh-Inspector and Vijay Tank AFSO have been granted the concession of anticipatory bail. As the petitioner is in custody since 26.12.2025, the report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. (Section 193 BNSS) stands presented but none of the 20 prosecution witnesses have been examined so far, the Trial of the present case is not likely to be concluded anytime soon and therefore, he is entitled to the concession of bail.

4. The learned counsel for the State, on the other hand, contends that serious allegations have been levelled against the petitioner for obtaining an Iphone and an Apple watch from the complainant. Therefore, he is not entitled to the concession as prayed for. He, however, concedes that two co-accused have been granted the concession of anticipatory bail, the petitioner is in custody since 26.12.2025, the report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. (Section 193 BNSS) stands presented but none of the 20 prosecution witnesses has been examined so far.

5. I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

6. The veracity of the prosecution case against the petitioner and his co-accused shall be adjudicated upon during the course of the Trial. As he is in custody since 26.12.2025, the report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. (193 BNSS) stands presented but none of the 20 prosecution witnesses has been examined so far, the Trial of the present case is not likely to be concluded anytime soon. In this situation, the further incarceration of the petitioner is not required, moreso, when two co-accused have been granted the concession of anticipatory bail.

7. Thus, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner, namely, Anil Kumar is ordered to be



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released on bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned CJM/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

8. In addition, the petitioner (or anyone on his behalf) shall prepare an FDR in the sum of Rs.50,000/- and deposit the same with the Trial Court. The same would be liable to be forfeited as per law in case of the absence of the petitioner from Trial without sufficient cause.

9. This petition stands disposed of.

10. The pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of accordingly.

March 13, 2026
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(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

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