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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

133(i)

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Date of Decision: 05.05.2026

Hardeep Singh Sondhi & Anr**...Petitioners****Versus****State of Haryana & Anr****.....Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S.GREWAL.**

Present: Mr. Himanshu Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

H.S. GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 528 of BNSS 2023 (482 Cr.P.C) seeking quashing of order dated 05.01.2026 passed by Addl. Sessions Judge, Panchkula in CRA-94-2024 whereby the surety bonds furnished by the petitioners have been cancelled and for quashing/ modification of the condition imposed vide order dated 03.07.2024 to deposit 20% of the compensation amount.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the condition of depositing 20% of the amount awarded by the trial Court for hearing the appeal is not compliable as the petitioner is not in a position to pay/deposit the said amount.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Ms. Malvika Singh, DAG, Haryana accepts notice on behalf of



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the respondent-State.

5. Heard.

6. This Court deems it appropriate to decide this case without issuing notice to respondent No.2. Considering the incapability of the petitioner to deposit 20% of the awarded amount, the order dated 03.07.2024 passed by Addl. Sessions Judge, Panchkula is hereby modified to the extent that instead of 20%, the petitioners shall have to deposit 10% of the awarded amount within a period of three weeks. The petitioner is further directed to ensure that the appeal, which is pending before learned Lower Appellate Court, shall be argued on the date fixed and will not seek unnecessary adjournments and he will not adopt dilatory tactics to prolong the decision of the appeal unless the Court itself chooses to adjourn the matter for some justifiable reason.

7. Disposed of in above terms.

05.05.2026*renu***(H.S.GREWAL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No