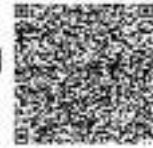


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**IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND
HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH**

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CRM-M-62212-2025 (O&M)

Date of decision: 19.01.2026

Kamalpreet Singh @ Kamaljit Singh**...Petitioner****Versus****State of Punjab and another****...Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA**

Present:- Mr. Hitesh Verma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Sakshi Bakshi, AAG, Punjab.

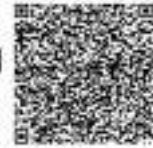
Ms. Ramandeep Kaur Brar, Advocate
for respondent No. 2.

MANISHA BATRA, J. (Oral)

1. A report dated 12.01.2025⁶ has been received from the Mediation and Conciliation Centre of this Court, as per which, the parties have settled their dispute by way of an amicable settlement, which has been reduced into writing. The original agreement/settlement has been annexed with this report. It is submitted that the passports of the victims have been given back and the amount of money as mentioned in the settlement/agreement would be given to the complainant/victims as per the terms of the same.

2. The petitioner has been booked for commission of offence punishable under Section 420 of IPC vide FIR No. 204 dated 11.10.2025 registered at Police Station Baghapurana, District Moga on the allegations that he along with his family members had induced the complainant to part with a

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sum of Rs. 6 lakhs on the premise of sending the complainant and his family abroad on work visa but neither he sent them there nor returned their money.

3. It is submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that since a compromise has been arrived at between the parties and he is ready to abide by the terms of the same, hence, he may be extended benefit of bail. It is argued that his custodial interrogation is not required and he is ready to join the investigation.

4. Learned State counsel as well as learned counsel for respondent No. 2/complainant have raise no serious objection to the contentions made by learned counsel for the petitioner.

5. This Court has heard the submissions made by learned counsel for the parties.

6. Though, the petitioner cannot be held entitled to seek concession of anticipatory bail only because of the reason that he has arrived at a settlement with the complainant, however, given the nature of the allegations levelled against him, the steps taken during the course of mediation proceedings and the peculiar circumstances of the case, this Court is of the considered opinion that pre-trial incarceration of the petitioner is not required and it should not be a replica of post-conviction sentencing. As such, the present petition is allowed. The petitioner is granted concession of anticipatory bail, subject to his joining the investigation within a period of ten days from today by appearing before the Investigating/Arresting Officer or as and when subsequently required thereafter. In the event of his arrest, the Investigating/Arresting Officer shall release the petitioner on bail subject to

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his/her satisfaction. The petitioner shall abide by the terms and conditions envisaged under Section 482(2) of BNSS.

7. It is made clear that any observation made herein above is only for the purpose of deciding the present petition and the same shall have no bearing on the merits of the case.

19.01.2026
Waseem Ansari

(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>