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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-65309-2024

Manpreet Singh @ Laddi

....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

Date of Decision: May 13, 2026

Date of Uploading: May 13, 2026

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. Aditya Anand, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Adhiraj Singh Thind, AAG Punjab.

SUMEET GOEL, J. (ORAL)

Present petition has been filed under Section 528 of the BNSS, 2023 for quashing of the impugned orders dated 22.11.2024 and 18.12.2024 (Annexures P-14 and P-15) passed by learned Sessions Judge, Kapurthala, in case SC-194-2023 arising out of FIR No.320 dated 08.11.2019, registered under Section 379-B of the IPC, at Police Station City Kapurthala, District Kapurthala, whereby, bail of the petitioner was cancelled and he was summoned through non-bailable warrants of arrest.

2. On 07.01.2025, the following order was passed:

“Contends that non-appearance of the petitioner before learned trial Court on 22.11.2024 was not intentional; rather on account of some communication gap with his Counsel. Also contends that petitioner is ready to join the proceedings.

Notice of motion.

At this stage, Mr. Kunwarbir Singh, learned AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent and seeks time to have instructions and/or to file written response in the matter.

Posted for 24.01.2025.

In the meanwhile, petitioner shall join the proceedings within two weeks from today after moving an appropriate application before learned trial Court/CJM/Duty Magistrate and he be released on interim bail, in the present case, till the next date of hearing on furnishing adequate bail and surety bonds to its satisfaction.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has caused appearance before the concerned Court, in terms of the interim order dated 07.01.2025 earlier passed by this Court, and shall continue to appear before the concerned Court and cooperate therein for expeditious disposal of the trial, in accordance with law.

4. Keeping in view the entirety of the facts and circumstances of the case; the order dated 07.01.2025 is hereby confirmed, subject to the petitioner continuing to appear before the trial Court and cooperate for expeditious disposal of the trial accordingly.

5. Petition stands **allowed**.

6. This order should not be treated as “blanket” order. It will not be read granting petitioner indefinite protection from arrest. It shall be confined to the FIR mentioned *ibid* and will not operate in respect of any other incident that involves commission of an offence.

7. Liberty is reserved in favour of State/complainant to move for cancellation/recall of this order in case the petitioner violates any condition stipulated under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 or upon showing any other sufficient cause.

8. Needless to say that anything observed herein above shall not be construed to be an opinion on the merits of the case.

9. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

May 13, 2026

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Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No