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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Date of Decision: 29.08.2025

RIYA GOYAL

... PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBHAS MEHLA

Present: Mr. Chandan Singh Rana, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Subhash Godara, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

SUBHAS MEHLA, J. (ORAL)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short, 'BNSS, 2023') seeking grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No. 198 dated 05.07.2025 under Sections 331 (6), 115(2), 118(1), 117(2), 191(3), 190, 351 (2), 351(3), 324(4) of BNS Act, 2023 registered at Police Station Division No. 5, District Police Commissionerate, Ludhiana.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case because it is the complainant who is harassing the petitioner and stalking her and regarding this a compromise has already been effected between them but despite compromise, he is not mending his ways and indulging in harassment. The petitioner was not present at the time of occurrence, she is a young girl of 27 years and have



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clean antecedents and not involved in any criminal activity. The petitioner is ready and willing to join the investigation.

3. On the other hand, learned State counsel, appearing on advance notice, opposes the grant of bail to the petitioner and contends that on the instance of the petitioner 19 injuries were caused to the complainant by the co-accused

4. Heard.

5. Keeping in view the contentions made by learned counsel for the parties and the fact that no recovery is to be effected from the petitioner and she is a young girl of 27 years. The maximum punishment provided for the offences *qua* the petitioner in the present FIR is upto seven years, so, the petition is disposed of with a direction to the petitioner to join the investigation as and when required by the Investigating Officer and the Investigating Officer is directed to follow the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in *Arnesh Kumar vs. State of Bihar and Another (2014), 8 SCC 273* and *Satender Kumar Antil v. CBI, (2022) 10 SCC 51*.

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(SUBHAS MEHLA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether reportable Yes/No