



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

**CRM-M-42910-2025
Date of decision: 08.08.2025**

SHER SINGH

...Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SUBHAS MEHLA

Present: Mr. Robindeep Singh Bhullar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Subhash Godara, Addl.AG, Punjab.

SUBHAS MEHLA, J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in the present petition under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023 is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.04 dated 18.06.2025 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 308(2), 351(2) of BNS and 67 of Information Technology Act at Police Station Cyber Crime Faridkot, District Faridkot.

2. The brief facts of the case are that complainant received threatening messages on her Instagram ID. Complainant is an astrologer and she received message from Insta ID of Jaharli nar defaulter 6 that they wanted to meet her. Thereafter on 05.05.2025, she received some objectionable photographs and messages and they demanded money.



Investigating Agency found out that it belonged to the petitioner Sher Singh. They demanded Rs.50,000/- from complainant and threatened her that in case the amount is not paid, they leaked the photos.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the complainant received the offensive message on 05.05.2025 but the FIR in this case was registered on 18.06.2025. There is a delay of more than one month in lodging of the FIR.

4. Learned State counsel submits that there are allegations against the petitioner that he demanded Rs.50,000/- from the complainant failing which the photographs sent to the complainant which are obscene and offensive were to be made viral among the circle of complainant in order to defame the complainant.

5. I have heard the submissions made by counsel for the parties.

6. I find force in the submissions made by the State counsel that custodial interrogation is qualitatively more elicitation orientated than questioning a suspect who is well ensconced with a favourable order under Section 438 of the Code. In a case like this effective interrogation of suspected person is of tremendous advantage in disinterring many useful informations and also materials which would have been concealed. Success in such interrogation would elude if the suspected person knows that he is well protected and insulated by a pre-arrest bail order during the time he is interrogated. Very often interrogation in such a condition would reduce to a mere ritual.

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7. In view of the above, this Court finds that the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is required for recovery of obscene material used by petitioner to blackmail the complainant.

8. The present petition is hereby dismissed.

08.08.2025
Priyanka Thakur

(SUBHAS MEHLA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No