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

CRM-M-47293-2024 (O&M)

Date of decision: 18.02.2025

Navjot

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE AMARJOT BHATTI

Present: Mr. Shubham Goyal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

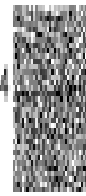
Mr. Gautam Thapar, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. G.V.S. Behl, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

AMARJOT BHATTI, J.

Petitioner-Navjot has filed the present petition under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023, for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No.71, dated 05.08.2024 under Section 115(2), 333, 324, 77, 191(3) and 190 of BNS, registered at Police Station Bhargo Camp, District Jalandhar.

2. As per facts of the case, complainant-Baljit Kaur gave a statement that she is married lady having two children. On 03.08.2024 at about 10.00 a.m., she came out of house to see off her relatives. Prabh s/o Sarabjeet Kaur who lived in their neighbourhood and his friend started making inappropriate gestures. After their relatives left the house, she told mother of Prabh that her son could not behave in this manner. Thereafter, she came home. At about 3.00. p.m., Sarabjeet Kaur along with her three sons Prabh, Yuvi and Navjot accompanied by 15/20 boys entered her



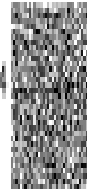
house and started breaking house-hold articles and gave beatings to her, her brother namely Prateek Singh and father namely Amarjeet Singh. They gave *datar* blows on the doors and broke down electric meter. They also indulged in brick batting. Navjot tried to snatch her dupatta and mobile phone. On alarm raised by them, many people started gathering there and thereafter all the assailants left the spot.

3. Learned counsel representing petitioner denied the allegations. It is argued that anticipatory bail application of present petitioner was wrongly declined. He was not armed with any weapon. He was granted interim relief vide order dated 08.11.2024. He is ready to join the investigation and will fully cooperate with the Investigation Agency. Therefore, his anticipatory bail application may be allowed.

4. Bail application is opposed by learned counsel representing State as well as learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent No.2. It is pointed out that present petitioner is specifically named with the specific allegations. The entire episode was caught in CCTV footage. The still photographs of CCTV footage are Annexure C-1. Present petitioner is cause of threat to the petitioner.

Learned counsel representing State referred to the status report and referred to para Nos.6 to 8, according to which Baljit Kaur, Prateek @ Anshdeep Singh and Amarjit Singh were medically examined and each of them suffered two injuries. In all the MLRs, one injury was declared simple whereas the other injury kept under observation. Considering the specific attribution, petitioner is not entitled to any relief.

5. I have considered the arguments and facts of the case indicate



that complainant as well as present petitioner are living in neighbourhood. On account of their dispute present occurrence took place. It is alleged that Sarabjeet Kaur along with her three sons accompanied by 15/20 boys attacked the complainant and her family members by going to their house.

6. Considering the facts narrated in the FIR, no purpose would be served by sending the petitioner behind the bars. He is ready to join the investigation, as such no recovery is effected from him. Therefore, without expressing my mind on the merits of the case, anticipatory bail application filed by the petitioner- Navjot is allowed. He shall not be arrested. In case of his arrest, he be released on bail to the satisfaction of Arresting/ Investigating Officer concerned, subject to condition that petitioner will join the investigation as and when required. He will not tamper with or interfere with investigation and will not leave country without prior permission as provided under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

7. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, stand disposed of accordingly as well.

(AMARJOT BHATTI)
JUDGE

18.02.2025
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1. Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes /No
2. Whether reportable : Yes /No