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

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Date of decision: 27.08.2025

Dhola Singh

...Petitioner

V/s

State of Punjab

...Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL**

Present: Mr. Kuldip Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Jaypreet Singh, DAG Punjab.

Mr. Ravinder Singh, Advocate for the complainant.

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**SUMEET GOEL, J. (Oral)**

1. Present petition has been filed under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023 for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.129 dated 30.11.2024, under Sections 406, 420, 120-B IPC registered at Police Station City-II Abohar, District Fazilka.

2. On 02.01.2025 the following order was passed:-

*“Through the instant petition filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS), prayer is made for grant of 'anticipatory bail' to the petitioner in case FIR no.129, dated 30.11.2024, under Sections 406, 420 and 120-B of the IPC, registered at Police Station City-II, Abohar, District Fazilka (Annexure P-1).*

*Learned counsel for the petitioner, in asking for the relief (supra) inter alia submits that there is no role, whatsoever, assigned to the present petitioner in the instant FIR.*

*He further submits that the present petitioner is not even the beneficiary, rather he is only a marginal witness to the alleged sale deed.*

*Notice of motion.*

*Mr. Solomon Partap Singh, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State, and waives service.*

*Adjourned to 03.02.2025.*



*In the meantime, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation and to appear before the investigating agency, as and when called upon to do so. In the event of his arrest, he shall be admitted to interim bail on his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting/Investigating Officer. The petitioner shall abide by the terms and conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of the B.N.S.S., 2023.”*

3. Thereafter, on 27.05.2025 following order was passed in this case:

*“Learned counsel for the petitioner(s), on instructions, submits that there are chances of an amicable settlement between the parties i.e. petitioner(s) as well as de facto complainant at their own level.*

*Posted for 05.08.2025.*

*Till the next date of hearing, interim order(s) in respective case(s) to continue.*

*Photocopy of this order be placed on the files of connected cases.”*

4. Learned State counsel, on instructions, has stated that pursuant to the order dated 02.01.2025, the petitioner has joined investigation and is no longer required for custodial interrogation.

5. Learned counsel appearing for complainant has vociferously opposed the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner by arguing that the allegations made against the petitioner are serious in nature and hence he ought not be extended the concession of anticipatory bail.

6. In view of the above, the interim order dated 02.01.2025 passed by this Court is made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

7. 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.

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8. 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.

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

**(SUMEET GOEL)**  
**JUDGE**

August 27, 2025

*Ajay*

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No