



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

**CRM-M No.53682 of 2024**

**Date of Decision: 06.02.2025**

**Som Nath @ Tarsem Lal**

**..... Petitioner**

**Versus**

**State of Punjab**

**..... Respondent**

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ**

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Present: Ms. Nandini Gupta, Advocate for  
Mr. Abhilaksh Grover, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. J. S. Arora, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Kashav Chadha, Advocate and  
Mr. Prikshit Thakur, Advocate  
for the complainant.

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**RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)**

1. Present petition has been filed praying for the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case bearing FIR No.36, dated 07.06.2024 (Annexure P-1), under Sections 406, 420, 120-B of IPC and Section 13 of Punjab Travel Profession (Regulation) Act, 2014, registered at Police Station Bilga, District Jalandhar, Punjab.

2. Vide order dated 28.10.2024, while granting interim protection, the petitioner was directed to join the investigation.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that pursuant to order dated 28.10.2024, the petitioner has joined the investigation and as such his interim bail may be made absolute. She has



submitted that the mediation could not take place as the complainant did not appear.

4. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Avtar Lal has affirmed the fact that the petitioner has joined the investigation and he is no more required for further investigation.

5. In view of the above, interim order dated 28.10.2024 is made absolute subject to compliance of conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

6. Petition stands allowed.

**(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)**  
**JUDGE**

**06.02.2025**

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No  
Whether reportable : Yes/No