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217 (2nd case)**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

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Date of decision: August 12, 2025

Balkirat Singh

....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL**Present:** Mr. Atul Sharma, Advocate and
Mr. Tegjeet Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Jasjit Singh, DAG Punjab.

None for the complainant.

SUMEET GOEL, J. (ORAL)

1. Present petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') for grant of concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.88 dated 05.05.2025, under Sections 329, 336(2), 336(3), 338, 61, 3(5) of the BNS, 2023, registered at Police Station Sadar, Ludhiana.

2. Case has been called twice since morning, but none has caused appearance on behalf of the complainant. Same was the position on 22.07.2025.

3. On 07.07.2025, the following order was passed:

“Counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, contends that the prime allegation against the petitioner is that he was sought to be inducted as a tenant into the property in dispute/question by the main accused Harwinder Singh, the petitioner has clean antecedents & is willing to join investigation and cooperate therein.

Notice of motion.



On the strength of advance notice; Mr. Jay Preet Singh, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State of Punjab. Dr. Sumeet Sofat-complainant, puts in appearance in person (through V.C.).

The petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 10.07.2025 at 11:00 A.M. in concerned Police Station and join investigation. In the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim bail subject to his furnishing personal/surety bond(s) to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. As and when further called by Investigating Officer, the petitioner shall join the investigation. He shall abide by the condition(s) enumerated under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

Respondents are permitted to file reply, if so advised.

Investigating Officer of the case (alongwith case diary) is directed to remain present in Court on the next date of hearing.

List on 22.07.2025. To be heard alongwith CRM-M-31599-2025.”

4. Learned State counsel (on instructions from ASI Amarjit Singh)

has stated that pursuant to the order dated 07.07.2025, the petitioner has indeed joined investigation, but his custodial interrogation is required to effect recovery of documents in question.

5. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and gone through the record; especially, the petitioner having joined investigation and his custodial interrogation is being sought for only effecting recovery of some documents, the interim order dated 07.07.2025 is made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS.

6. 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.

7. 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 or upon showing any other sufficient cause.



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

9. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

August 12, 2025

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No