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

CRM-M-29970-2025

Date of decision: August 25, 2025

Ravi

....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL**Present:** Ms. Jyotnoor Kaur Sethi, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Baljinder Singh Sra, Additional AG Punjab.

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.36 dated 22.03.2025, under Section 326(G) of the BNS, 2023 (Sections 61(2), 303(2), 317(2) of BNS, 2023 and Section 3(A) of the Explosive Substance Act, 1908 added later on), registered at Police Station City Batala, District Gurdaspur.

2. On 28.05.2025, the following order was passed:

“By way of present petition filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita 2023 (BNSS), the petitioners seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR (Annexure P-1) as under: -

<i>FIR No.</i>	<i>Dated</i>	<i>Sections</i>	<i>Police Station</i>
36	22.03.2025	326(G) of BNS to which {61(2), 303(2), 317(2) of BNS and 3(A) of the Explosive Substance Act added later on during investigation}	City Batala, District Gurdaspur

2. *It is, inter alia, contended by learned counsel for the petitioners that the petitioners is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case. He contends that the petitioners is not having any concern with the allegations levelled in the FIR nor he is named therein. He contends that the petitioners has been named in the alleged disclosure statement made by the co-accused with which the petitioners has no concern. Hence, the instant petition.*

3. *Notice of motion.*

4. *On the asking of the Court, Mr. Jatinder Pal Singh, Sr. DAG Punjab, present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the State-respondent and prays for time to file the status report/reply in the matter.*

5. *Adjourned to 10.07.2025.*

6. *Needful be done well before the date fixed with an advance copy to the counsel opposite.*

7. *In the meanwhile, arrest of the petitioners shall remain stayed till the next date of hearing.*

8. *Investigating Officer (concerned) to remain present in Court along with relevant records on the date fixed.”*

3. Thereafter, on 21.07.2025, the following order was passed:

“Reiterating his submissions made on 28.5.2025, learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is willing to join investigation and cooperate therein.

Adjourned to 25.8.2025.

The petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 25.7.2025 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.”

4. Learned State counsel (on instructions from ASI Sukhdev Singh) has submitted that pursuant to the order dated 28.05.2025 and 21.07.2025, the petitioner has indeed joined investigation, and his custodial interrogation is not required.

5. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and upon perusal of the record and in view of the stance of the State, the interim orders dated 28.05.2025 and 21.07.2025 are made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS.

6. Petition stands allowed, accordingly.

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.

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 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.

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

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

August 25, 2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No