



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-36930-2025
Date of decision: 02.09.2025

DARSHAN KUMAR

...PETITIONER

V/s

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. B.D. Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Jaypreet Singh, DAG, Punjab.

SUMEET GOEL, J.

1. Present petition has been filed under Section 482 of BNSS for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case bearing FIR No.280 dated 01.12.2024, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 318(4), 316(2), 319(2), 336(2), 336(3), 338, 340(2) and 61(2) of BNS at Police Station Navi Baradari, District Jalandhar.

2. On 15.07.2025, the following order was passed:-

“Petitioner is seeking the concession of anticipatory bail in FIR No.280 dated 01.12.2024 registered under Sections 318(4), 316(2), 319(2), 336(2), 336(3), 338, 340(2) and 61(2) of the BNS registered at Police Station Navi Baradari, Jalandhar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, contends that the petitioner has no previous criminal antecedents; the petitioner is neither a beneficiary nor a power of attorney holder. It has been submitted that the petitioner being Lambardar had identified co-ccused in good faith.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. H.S. Deol, Senior Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent. Learned State counsel, on instructions, does not dispute that as per allegations, the petitioner was not to be a beneficiary of the property in question.

Adjourned to 02.09.2025.

Meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation and 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) BNSS/438(2) Cr.P.C.”



3. Learned State counsel, on instructions, has stated that pursuant to the order dated 15.07.2025, the petitioner has joined investigation and is no longer required for custodial interrogation.

4. In view of above, the present petition is allowed and interim order dated 15.07.2025 passed by this Court is made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482 (2) of BNSS.

5. 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.

6. 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.

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

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

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

02.09.2025

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Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No