



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

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CRM-M-13765-2025 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 25.04.2025

Darshan Singh Sohal

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present:- Mr. Arihant Goyal, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Amandeep Singh, DAG, Punjab.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438 Cr.P.C.), is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, who has been booked in a criminal case arising out of First Information Report, as detailed hereunder:-

Name & age of Petitioner (s)	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Darshan Singh Sohal @ Darshan Singh, age 48 years	223	19.12.2023	341, 323, 379-B, 365, 511, 148, 149 IPC	City Malout	Sri Muktsar Sahib

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that though he is ready to settle the dispute amicably but as per his instructions, complainant-Sumit Singh Brar has gone back to Canada and therefore, in his absence the settlement cannot be done. While arguing on merits, counsel submits that there is no allegation of causing any serious injury on any of the vital part of the complainant. In fact, the FIR has been got lodged to pressurize the



petitioner so that he may withdraw the complaint which he had already given to the police demanding his own share.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner points out that even as per the final report, it is only a scuffle resulting into causing of simple injury and therefore, has been challaned only for committing offences under Sections 323, 341, 148, 149, 511 and 379 IPC. Relevant part to the final report is annexure is produced hereunder:

“That all of these got out of their respective cars and came towards the complainant then Darshan Singh Sohal immediately stated by raising ‘lalkara’ that today he will not be spared who hit a punch on his nose due to which blood oozed out of this nose. Kulbir Singh hit the punch on upper lip. Gurbir Singh @ Lamba twisted his right hand due to which the upper part of the hand got injured. Gurjeet Singh hit with leg on the lower right side of the waist. Amninder Singh @ Micky Dhaliwal kicked in the stomach then Harpinder Singh caught hold him from jacket and strangled him in anger and all three Harpreet Singh and Jaswant Singh threw him in their Fortuner car and they tried to kidnap/abduct then during this period Darshan Singh Sandhu snatched his Real Me Mobile Phone in which Mobile No.98763-61597 was operating and Sukhpreet Singh Sandhu snatched the gold chain weighing about 2 tolas which he was wearing in his neck. He raised the voice of Marta-Marta with a great difficulty by raising his legs and arms then by seeing the gathering of other people over there, all of them threw him over there and they ran away on their respective cars Xx xx xx.

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4. Considering the allegation and that the dispute in fact appears



to be existing prior in time in the business deal of the sides, it is directed that the petitioner shall join the investigation within two weeks from today or as and when required to do so by the Investigating Agency. In the event of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on ad-interim bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer. The petitioner shall also be abide by all the conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).

5. Besides, the petitioner would submit/surrender his passport before the Arresting Officer and an undertaking on oath that in case of leaving the Country, he would seek prior permission from the Investigating Agency/concerned Court.

6. The petition stands disposed of.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

April 25, 2025

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