



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

CRA-S-297-2025

Date of decision: 02.04.2025

SARABJIT SINGH @ SABHI

....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANR.

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present:- Ms. Deepika Verma, Advocate for
Mr. Sanjeev K. Virk, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajinder Singh Bhatta, DAG Punjab.

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SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

The instant appeal has been preferred by the appellant against the impugned judgment dated 12.11.2024 passed by learned Additional Sessions Judge, Jalandhar, vide which the anticipatory bail of the appellant had been dismissed. Details of FIR are as under:

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
58	09.07.2024	115(2), 118(1), 333, 351(2), 61(2) BNS	Nurmahal, District Jalandhar

2. Heard.

3. Learned counsel for the appellant contends that appellant is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case. He contends that vide order dated 11.03.2025, the appellant had been directed to join investigation and was granted interim bail. He submits that in pursuance to the aforesaid order, the appellant has joined the investigation.



4. Learned State counsel intimates the Court that the appellant has joined the investigation and is neither required for further investigation nor for any custodial interrogation.

5. During the course of hearing on 11.03.2025, following order was passed: -

“ As per office report, despite due service of respondent No.2, none has put in appearance on his behalf.

2. Heard.

3. After considering the respective arguments and perusing the record, it transpires that the alleged attribution to the petitioner of having caused simple injury on the person of the complainant. It is further contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that the cross-version against the complainant-respondent No.2 has also been registered vide DDR No.19 dated 28.07.2024 under Sections 76, 61 (2) of BNS, 2023.

4. Be it the case, without commenting on the merits of the case, the petitioner is hereby directed to join investigation within seven days from today and in the event of his arrest, he is ordered to be released on interim bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. He shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 482 (2) of BNSS, 2023.

5. Investigating Officer of the case to remain present along with record on the next date of hearing.

6. List on 02.04.2025.”

6. After considering the rival contentions and perusing the record, it transpires that the appellant has been implicated in the instant FIR for having committed offence punishable under Sections 115(2), 118(1), 333/351(2), 61(2) BNS. At the same time, it is not disputed that the appellant, after having been directed vide order dated 11.03.2025, has joined the investigation. As per learned State counsel, he is not required for



further investigation nor he is required for custodial interrogation of the case. This be the case, the interim bail granted to the appellant vide order dated 11.03.2025 is hereby confirmed subject to the conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) BNSS. The appellant is directed to join investigation as and when required in future also by way of a written notice for such purpose to be served by Investigating Officer of this case; he will not tamper with the evidence nor will influence the witnesses and will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court.

7. With these observations, the impugned judgment dated 12.11.2024, passed by learned Additional Sessions Judge, Jalandhar, is set aside and the instant appeal stands allowed.

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

02.04.2025
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(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |