



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

CRM-M-4811-2025

Date of decision: 24.02.2025

SANTOKH SINGH AND ANR

....PETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

....RESPONDENT

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present:- Mr. B.S. Bhalla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ankit Grewal, DAG, Punjab.

SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

By way of present petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023, petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR as under:

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
07	24.02.2020	380, 427, 506, 148, 149 of IPC and Section 457 of IPC added later on.	Bhindi Saidan, District Amritsar (Rural).

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance to the order dated 10.02.2025 passed by this Court, the petitioners have already joined the investigation and as such prayed for confirming the interim bail granted vide order dated 10.02.2025.

3. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Lakhwinder Singh, intimates the Court that the petitioners have joined investigation and are neither required for further investigation nor for any custodial interrogation.



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4. During the course of hearing on 10.02.2025, following order was passed:

“3. It is, inter alia, contended by learned counsel for the petitioners that the petitioners are innocent and have been falsely implicated in this case. He contends that FIR has been registered against 13 persons without there being any specific overt act attributed to any body. He contends that no injury has been caused to anybody in the alleged occurrence nor the petitioners have caused any such injury. He contends that the allegations levelled against the petitioners are concocted on account of dispute of complainant with Sukhchain Singh, with which the petitioners have no concern.

4. Notice of motion.

5. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Ankit Grewal, DAG, Punjab, present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the State respondent and on instructions from ASI Ranjit Singh, submits that no injury has been attributed to any body in this case and prays for time to file the status report/reply in the matter.

6. Adjourned to 24.02.2025.

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

8. From the perusal of the case, it transpires that no injury is attributed to any body in the occurrence nor any specific overt act is attributed to the petitioners, therefore, without commenting on the merits of the case, the petitioners are hereby directed to join investigation within 05 days from today and in the event of their arrest, they are ordered to be released on interim bail on their furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. They shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita 2023 (BNSS).

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

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5. Keeping in view the above submissions made by learned State counsel and the fact that the petitioners have joined the investigation consequent to the order dated 10.02.2025 passed by this Court, interim bail granted vide order dated 10.02.2025 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 482 (2) of BNSS, 2023. Further the petitioners are directed to join investigation as and when required in future by way of written notice for such purpose to be served by Investigating Officer of this case upon the petitioners; they will not tamper with the evidence nor will influence the witnesses and will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court.

6. The petition stands allowed.

7. It is made clear that anything contained hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

24.02.2025

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