



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

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CRM-M-35538-2025

Date of decision : 29.09.2025

ANUPAMA JAMES

..... PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

..... RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURYA PARTAP SINGH

Present : Mr. Ajay Chauhan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rohit Bansal, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

SURYA PARTAP SINGH. J.(Oral)

1. This is a petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita 2023 (hereinafter referred to as 'BNSS'), for anticipatory bail, in a case arising out of FIR No.0052 dated 17.03.2025 under Sections 406 & 420 of IPC & Section 13 of Punjab Travel Professionals (Regulations) Act, 2014, Police Station Sadar Jalandhar, District Police Commissionerate Jalandhar.

2. By virtue of order dated 09.07.2025, the benefit of interim anticipatory bail was afforded to the petitioner. It has been submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that in compliance with the above-mentioned order, the petitioner has already joined investigation and nothing is left to be recovered from the possession of petitioner.

3. Although the, learned counsel for the respondent-State although has admitted that the petitioner has joined investigation, but it has been submitted by learned Sate counsel that custodial interrogation of the petitioner is required as the requisite money could not be recovered from the petitioner.

4. The record has been perused carefully.

5. A perusal of record shows that in the present case, there are certain relevant factors, which are required to be taken into consideration for arriving at any decision with regard to instant petition. Those factors are:-

- (a) that the offence allegedly committed by the petitioner is triable by the Court of Judicial Magistrate;
- (b) that except money nothing is to be recovered from the possession of petitioner;
- (c) that the investigation in this case is not likely to be concluded in near future;
- (d) that detention of petitioner in judicial lock up is not likely to serve any purpose;
- (e) that there is nothing on record to show that if released on bail, the petitioner is likely to tamper with the evidence, or influence the witnesses.

6. Taking into consideration, the cumulative effect of all the above-mentioned factors, the order dated 09.07.2025, whereby interim bail has been afforded to the petitioner, is hereby made absolute.

7. The present petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(SURYA PARTAP SINGH)
JUDGE

29.09.2025 Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes
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