

Paramjit Singh versus State of Punjab

Present: Shri Rahul Puri, Advocate, counsel for the bail applicant/accused.
Shri Kiran Kumar, Additional Public Prosecutor for the State.

1. This application under Section 482 of Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita was filed on 08.05.2026 by bail applicant/accused Paramjit Singh for grant of pre-arrest bail.

2. Upon notice, respondent/State appeared and contested the bail application. The police record has been produced by ASI Gurdeep Singh.

3. Arguments heard. Record perused. In this case, FIR No.60 dated 05.05.2026 under Sections 285, 324(3), 329(3) of BNS and Section 4 of Punjab Prevention of Damage to Public and Private Property Act, 2014, Police Station Tibber, has been registered on the basis of application filed by the Executive Engineer, Provincial Division, PWD, Gurdaspur, addressed to the Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur and Senior Superintendent of Police, Gurdaspur, having the subject of installing interlock tiles on the road of Panchayat Department at village Bhumbli without any permission. It was alleged that a complaint was received from Panchayat Member and Panchayat Samiti Member of village Bhumbli that on the already existing road constructed by the PWD, the present Sarpanch alongwith his followers has laid the tiles illegally by misusing the panchayat funds. The report was called from the Block Development and Panchayat Officer, who reported that neither any resolution was passed by the Gram Panchayat nor any NOC was obtained to lay interlocking tiles.

Thereby the Government property has been damaged by the present Sarpanch of the village.

4. After registration of the FIR, investigation of the case is being conducted.

5. Through the present application, pre-arrest bail has been sought by the bail applicant/accused on the grounds that false allegations have been levelled against him; he has neither installed any interlocking tiles nor misused any panchayat funds; earlier a complaint was filed against him and enquiry was got conducted by the Deputy Commissioner and the allegations were found false; this case is the result of political vendetta; nothing is to be recovered from him and he is ready to join the investigation. However, these allegations have been denied by the respondent State.

6. Perusal of police record reveals that as per allegations, the bail applicant/accused being Sarpanch of the Gram Panchayat has illegally laid interlocking tiles on the already existing road in the area of village Bhumbli by spending panchayat funds. It is the case of the bail applicant/accused that he has not done this alleged work of laying of interlocking tiles on the existing road. That all the funds of the Gram Panchayat have been used legally. That nothing is to be recovered from him. He is ready to join the investigation. The allegations are based on documentary evidence. Therefore, without commenting anything on merits of the case, the bail applicant/accused is directed to join investigation within a period of one week and if he do so, he be admitted to interim bail on his furnishing the personal bonds in the sum of Rs.50,000/- with one

surety in like amount to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer subject to his complying with conditions envisaged under Section 482(2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita.

7. To come up on 29.05.2026 after compliance of this direction.

Pronounced in open court on:
15.05.2026

(Dilbagh Singh Johal)
Sessions Judge, Gurdaspur
(UID No.PB00069)

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