



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

Sr.No.133

**CRM-M-16583-2026
Decided on : 20.04.2026**

Satpal Puri

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RUPINDERJIT CHAHAL

Present : Mr. Vaibhav Sehgal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

RUPINDERJIT CHAHAL, J (ORAL)

1. The petitioner has preferred the instant petition under Section 528 of BNSS for issuance of directions to respondents No.2 and 3 to transfer the investigation of case FIR No.5 dated 03.01.2026, registered under Section 420 IPC, at Police Station Daresi, Ludhiana to an independent investigating agency within Bureau of Investigation, Punjab.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner moved an application wherein specific allegations have been levelled against the private respondent Harpreet Singh that he alongwith co-accused committed fraud with the petitioner on the basis of which FIR was registered. He further contends that the petitioner has submitted number of representations for ensuring free, fair and impartial investigation, however, no action has been taken thereon. Learned counsel contends that on the basis of wrong statement given by the Investigating Officer that the accused



is no longer required for custodial interrogation, he was granted anticipatory bail vide order dated 05.02.2026, passed by this Court (Annexure P-4). However, the said Investigating Officer did not inform the court that the recovery of car is still pending. He further contends that the accused colluded with the concerned Investigating Officer, who is continuously threatening the petitioner that they will file the cancellation report in the said FIR. Therefore, learned counsel prays that the instant petition be allowed.

3. I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner and perused the paper book.

4. There is no evidence on record which shows that the accused colluded with the concerned investigating officer and is continuously threatening the petitioner. Further, there is no evidence available on record on the basis whereof it may be prima facie held that the Investigating Agency/Investigating Officer is not conducting the investigation in a fair manner. A mere dissatisfaction of the petitioners cannot be perceived as a derogation from the settled principle of investigation. Besides, entertaining any such unsubstantiated allegations in petition shall amount to steer investigation merely by levelling allegations against an Investigating Officer who may not seem to be favouring him. Hence, there is a great potential of misuse of any such undue indulgence. The burden lies on the person seeking transfer of investigation to establish as to how he is prejudiced and as to how the investigation is unfair or partisan which the petitioners fail to discharge.

5. Under the given circumstances, this Court does not find any plausible ground insofar as claim made by the petitioners for seeking



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transfer of investigation to an independent investigating agency within
Bureau of Investigation, Punjab.

6. Accordingly, the instant petition is dismissed.

20.04.2026
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(RUPINDERJIT CHAHAL)
JUDGE

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