



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-28114-2026 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 21.07.2026

BALWINDER SINGH FAUJI @ BALWINDER SINGH MANN

....Petitioner

V/s

STATE OF PUNJAB

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKRAM AGGARWAL

Present: Mr. J.K. Singla, Advocate and
Ms. Suman Rani, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rahul Jindal, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Prince Pal, Advocate, for the complainant.

VIKRAM AGGARWAL, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the present petition preferred by the petitioner under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short the “BNSS”) is for the grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.47, dated 25.04.2026 under Sections 108 and 3 (5) of BNS, 2023 registered at Police Station GRP Bathinda, District Govt. Railway Police Bathinda.

2. On 26.05.2026, the following order was passed by a Coordinate Bench:-

“Learned counsel submits that there is an unexplained delay of 22 days in lodging the FIR and the alleged suicide note is photocopy, not the original. The allegations against him do not make his case fall within the definition of abetment as defined under Section 45 BNS, so as to constitute the offence under Section 108 BNS. He is ready and willing to join the investigation as and when required by the investigating agency and will cooperate.

Notice of motion.

At the asking of the Court, Mr. Manipal Singh Atwal, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State and files a status report, which is taken on record; Mr. Imaan Singh Khara, Advocate, on behalf of the complainant and made their respective submissions in opposition.

Meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation on or before 02.06.2026. In the event of his arrest, he shall be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer, subject to compliance of conditions as enshrined under Section 482(2) BNSS.

However, it is clarified that if the petitioner does not join and cooperate with the Investigating Agency as required by the Arresting/Investigating Officer, this interim order shall be deemed to have been vacated.

Adjourned to 21.07.2026”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of the aforesaid order, the petitioner has duly joined investigation.
4. Learned counsel representing the State of Punjab, on instructions from ASI Pakhar Singh, 1/C OP GRP Mansa, Police Station GRP, Bathinda, who is present in the Court, submits that in compliance of the order dated 26.05.2026, the petitioner has duly joined investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required.
5. In view of the fact that petitioner has duly joined investigation and keeping in view the statement given by learned counsel representing the State of Punjab, the present petition is allowed. The order dated 26.05.2026 passed by this Court is made absolute, subject to compliance of the provisions as envisaged under Section 482(2) BNSS.

(VIKRAM AGGARWAL)
JUDGE

July 21, 2026
Mani Kumar

Whether speaking/reasoned:
Whether reportable:

Yes/No
Yes/No