



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

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**CRM-M No.938 of 2025
Date of decision: 04.03.2025**

HARPREET SINGH ALIAS HAPPY

.... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present : Ms. Gurdeep Kaur, Advocate for
Mr. R.S. Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner

Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, Sr. D.A.G., Punjab.

MANISHA BATRA, J. (oral)

1. Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS'), is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 57 dated 16.07.2023, under Sections 326, 323, 324, 506 of IPC (307, 148, 149 of IPC deleted later on), registered at Police Station Sarai Amanat Khan, District Tarn Taran.

2. Vide order dated 13.01.2025, passed by this Court, the petitioner was granted interim bail and was directed to join investigation. Order dated 13.01.2025, passed by this Court, reads as under:

“Through the instant petition, prayer is made for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case arising out of FIR No. 57 dated 16.07.2023, under Sections 326, 323, 324, 506, (307, 148, 149 deleted later on), registered at Police Station Sarai Amanat Khan, District Tarn Taran.



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The aforementioned FIR has been registered against the petitioner and the co-accused on the basis of statement got recorded by the complainant Lovepreet Singh on 16.07.2023 making allegations that on 09.07.2023, he along with his cousin brother Ramandeep Singh was present at his shop when the petitioner along with the co-accused reached there armed with deadly weapon and by forming a membership of unlawful assembly and in prosecution of common object of that unlawful assembly had opened an assault upon him and Ramandeep Singh. As per the allegations, the petitioner was carrying a baseball and had struck blow with the same upon Ramandeep Singh thereby injuring the fingers of his left hand.

It is argued by learned counsel for the petitioner that he has been falsely implicated in this case. There is delay of seven days in reporting the matter to the police which is remained unexplained. The offence under Sections 307, 148 and 149 have been deleted during the course of investigation. The injury which has been opined to be grievous in nature has not been attributed to the petitioner but to the co-accused. No recovery is to be effected from the petitioner. He is ready to join the investigation. His custodial investigation is not required.

Notice of motion.

Learned State counsel who has advance notice of the petition seeks time to file status report.

Adjourned to 11.02.2025.



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In the meantime, the petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating/Arresting Officer to join investigation within one week or as and when subsequently required thereafter. In the event of his arrest, the Investigating/Arresting Officer shall release the petitioner on interim bail on furnishing personal/surety bonds to his/her satisfaction. The petitioner shall also abide by the conditions as envisaged under Section 482 (2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (for short BNSS), 2023.”

3. Learned State counsel, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, has submitted that the petitioner has joined investigation on 19.01.2025 and he is not required for custodial interrogation.

5. Keeping in view the above mentioned facts and circumstances, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 13.01.2025, granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute, subject to compliance of usual terms and conditions requisite for grant of anticipatory bail.

(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE

04.03.2025

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