



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

241/4

CRM-M- 10057-2025(O&M)**Date of Decision: 21.04.2025**

Gulam Nabi

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU**Present:** Mr. Kamal Jindal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ashok Sehrawat, DAG, Haryana.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J.

Present petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner in FIR No. 578 dated 30.11.2024, under Sections 3,5,13 of Haryana Gauvansh Sanrakshan and Gausamvardhan Act, 2015 (for short 'the Act, 2015') [Section 17 of the Act 2015 and Section 238 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 added later on], registered at Police Station Sadar Dabwali, District Dabwali.

2. Allegations are that petitioner alongwith co-accused slaughtered the cattle.

3. Contends that petitioner was granted interim bail by this Court on 07.03.2025 and in pursuance thereof, he has already joined investigation; hence, his custodial interrogation is not required.



4. The above factual position is not disputed by learned State Counsel and submits that his custodial interrogation is not required at this stage.
5. Heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the paper-book.
6. It transpires that petitioner was granted interim protection by this Court on 07.03.2025 and the order reads as under:-

“After going through the Status report, it transpires that petitioner is not facing any other case under the Haryana Gauvansh Sanrakshan and Gausamvardhan Act, 2015 and he has been nominated as an accused in the present case on the basis of disclosure made by co-accused Arif Ali.

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In the meanwhile, petitioner shall join investigation before the Investigating Officer; but he be not arrested till the next date of hearing.

To be heard along with CRM-M-12846-2025.”

7. It is duly acknowledged by learned State Counsel that in pursuance of the aforesaid order, petitioner has joined investigation and as on today, his custodial interrogation is not required.
8. In view of the above, there is no justification to deny the concession of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner. Consequently, present petition is allowed; interim order dated 07.03.2025 is made absolute subject to the conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) BNSS.



9. It is also made clear that petitioner shall fully co-operate with the Investigating Officer as and when called for further investigation.

10. The above observations be not construed as an expression of opinion on merits of the case; rather confined only to decide the bail matter.

11. It is also clarified that in case of any recurrence on the part of petitioner, State would be at liberty to move an appropriate application for recalling of this order.

Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed off.

21.04.2025
Harish Kumar

(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)
JUDGE

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