

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

211 CRM-M-17103-2025 (O&M)
Date of decision : 02.05.2025

MANMEET SINGHPETITIONER

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB ...RESPONDENT

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present : Mr.Yatin Bunger, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Jatinder Pal Singh. Sr. DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Bhupinder Singh Kundu, Advocate
for the complainant.

SANJIV BERRY, J.(ORAL)

By way of present petition filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS), the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR (Annexure P-1) as under: -

FIR No.	Dated	Section	Police Station
18	31.01.2025	115(2), 118(1), 351 and 3(5) of BNS 2023	Fatehgarh Sahib, District Fatehgarh Sahib

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance to the order dated 09.04.2025, the petitioner has joined the investigation.



3. During the course of hearing on 09.04.2025, following order had been passed: -

“Status report dated 07.04.2025 in the form of an affidavit of Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub-Division Fatehgarh Sahib, District Fatehgarh Sahib, has been filed. The same is taken on record. Copy thereof has been supplied to learned counsel for the petitioner.

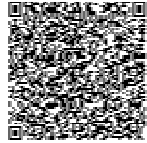
2. It is not disputed by learned State counsel, on the basis of pairvi report, that the injury attributed to the petitioner is simple in nature and is not on the vital part of the body.

3. Be it the case, it is deemed appropriate that the petitioner should join the investigation first before deciding the petition on merits. In the circumstances, without commenting on the merits of the case, the petitioner is hereby directed to join investigation within seven days from today and in the event of his arrest, he is ordered to be released on interim bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. He shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 482 (2) of BNSS, 2023.

4. Investigating Officer of the case to remain present along with record on the next date of hearing.

5. List on 02.05.2025. ”

4. Counsel for the complainant has opposed the bail application on the ground that the injury No.2 attributed to the petitioner is grievous in nature.



5. On query, learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Lakhvir Singh, Investigating Officer of this Court categorically states that injury No.2 attributed to the petitioner is simple in nature. The petitioner has joined the investigation and is neither required for further investigation nor for any custodial interrogation.

6. Keeping in view the above submissions made by learned State counsel and the fact that the petitioner had joined the investigation consequent to the order dated 09.04.2025 passed by this Court, interim bail granted vide order dated 09.04.2025 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of BNSS. Further the petitioner is directed to join investigation as and when required in future by way of written notice for such purpose to be served by Investigating Officer of this case upon the petitioner; he will not tamper with the evidence nor will influence the witnesses and will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court.

7. The petition stands allowed.

8. It is made clear that anything contained hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

02.05.2025

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i)	Whether speaking/reasoned?	Yes/No
ii)	Whether reportable?	Yes/No