



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-20162-2025
Date of decision:-12.05.2025

LOVEPREET SINGH

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Petitioner

... Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY.

Present:- Ms. Navjot Kaur, Advocate for
 Mr. B.S.Bhalla, Advocate, for the petitioner.

 Mr. Jatinder Pal Singh, AAG, Punjab.

SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

Learned State counsel has filed short reply by way of an affidavit dated 28.04.2025 of Deputy Superintendent of Police (City), Moga, District Moga, the same is taken on record, copy thereof, has been supplied to the counsel opposite.

2. The instant petition has been preferred by the petitioner under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 for grant of anticipatory bail in the following case:-

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
69	15.03.2025	126(2), 140(1), 115(2), 351(2), 351(3), 191(3) and 190 BNS and 25 of Arms Act (Section 27 of Arms Act added later on)	City South, Moga, District Moga

3. Arguments heard.

4. It is *inter alia* contended by learned counsel for the petitioner



that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case on the ground of party faction, he has no concern in the alleged occurrence and as such he seeks concession of grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Per contra, learned State counsel referring to the status report submitted by the State has opposed the bail petition by arguing that the petitioner has actively participated in the occurrence, wherein he alongwith co-accused had forcibly kidnapped the complainant in their car and caused injuries to him, besides, recording a video clip of the complainant in a naked condition. He contends that custodial interrogation of the petitioner is required, hence prayed for dismissal of the bail petition.

6. After considering the rival contentions and perusing the record, it transpires that the instant FIR was registered on the complaint of Vicky to the effect that on 11.03.2025 when he had gone to market to bring food at about 10/11 PM then accused Sukhwinder Singh @ Toti and the petitioner Lovepreet Singh alighted from their car, Sukhwinder Singh @ Toti was armed with dang while another car also came there from which accused Kuljit Singh armed with pistol, Karan Kumar armed with iron pipe, Avinsh armed with iron Khanda and 2/3 other persons armed with iron rods alighted. The petitioner Lovepreet Singh caught hold of the complainant from backside while the remaining accused forcibly drag him into the car and took him near the railway crossing where petitioner caught hold of the complainant from the legs while other co-accused Karan, Avinash and Sukhwinder gave multiple injuries on his person with iron pipe, Khanda and dang respectively. Accused Kuljit Singh gave multiple blows with the butt of of his pistol in the stomach of the complainant. The accused also



recorded a video clip of the complainant in the naked condition and then they throw the complainant in the park of the Civil Hospital, Moga. The FIR was registered and medical examination of the complainant was conducted which reveals 6 injuries on his person.

7. The perusal of record reveals that although the petitioner was empty handed but has participated in the occurrence actively wherein the complainant was kidnapped in the car and taken to a secluded place and given multiple beatings and then video-graphed in an naked condition. Therefore, considering the nature and gravity of the offence, no case is made out in favour of the petitioner for grant of anticipatory bail, as a consequent, the petition is hereby dismissed.

8. Any observation made above shall not be construed as opinion of this Court on the merits of the case.

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

12.05.2025

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