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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH
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CRM-M-23466-2025

BALRAM ALIAS KESAV RANA
.....Petitioner
Versus
STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER
.....Respondents

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MAHI PAL ALIAS MAHIPAL
.....Petitioner
Versus
STATE OF PUNJAB
.....Respondent

CRM-M-36062-2025

HARMINDER SINGH ALIAS HONEY RANA
.....Petitioner
Versus
STATE OF PUNJAB
.....Respondent

CRM-M-41257-2025

ANKUSH RANA ALIAS ANKUSH
.....Petitioner
Versus
STATE OF PUNJAB
.....Respondent

Decided on: 24.09.2025

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: Mr. Balvinder Sangwan, Advocate,
for the petitioners
(in CRM-M-34507-2025, CRM-M-36062-2025
and CRM-M-41257-2025).

Mr. Narender Kumar Rana, Advocate,

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for the petitioner (in CRM-M-23466-2025).

Mr. Manjinder Singh Bhullar, DAG, Punjab.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J.

1. Prayer in these petitions, filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438 Cr.P.C.), is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners, who have been booked in a criminal case arising out of First Information Report, as detailed hereunder:-

FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
102	11.04.2025	115(2), 117(2), 118(2), 191(3), 190 of BNS	Kharar	SAS Nagar (Mohali)

2. On 03.07.2025, following order was passed in CRM-M-23466-2025:-

“1. Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438 Cr.P.C.), is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, who has been booked in a criminal case arising out of First Information Report, as detailed hereunder:-

Name & age of Petitioner (s)	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Balram @ Kesav Rana, aged about 32 years	102	11.04.2025	115(2), 117(2), 118(2), 191(3), 190 of BNS	Kharar	SAS Nagar (Mohali)

2. On the very outset, counsel for the petitioner submits that almost similarly situated co-accused namely Manish Kumar alias Manga Rana, who was not attributed any specific injury, has already been granted the concession of interim anticipatory bail by this Court, vide order dated 28.04.2025, passed in CRM-M-22230-2025 (Annexure P-4), which subsequently was allowed, vide order dated 27.05.2025.

3. Further submits that allegation in the present case against the petitioner is that the he gave kick and fist blows to the injured. However, his involvement in the case is yet to be ascertained. Moreover, petitioner is ready to join the



investigation and fully cooperate, if he is protected from arrest by this Court. Thus, prays for grant of concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the present case.

- 4. Notice of motion.
- 5. On advance notice, Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr. DAG, Punjab, puts in appearance on behalf of the respondent – State, and Mr. Shubham Saroha, Advocate, and Mr. Dharmender Singh, Advocate, put an appearance on behalf of respondent No.2.
- 6. Adjourned to 24.09.2025.
- 7. In the meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation as and when required to do so by the Investigating Agency. In the event of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on ad-interim bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer. The petitioner shall also be abide by all the conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).
- 8. Besides, it is directed that petitioner would hand over his passport to the Investigating Agency or to Court concerned, if he possesses. Otherwise, would submit an affidavit, disclosing the fact that he does not possess any passport.
It is also directed that before leaving country any time during trial, petitioner would seek prior permission of the Court.”

3. On 04.07.2025, following order was passed by this Court in CRM-M-34507-2025:-

“1. Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438 Cr.P.C.), is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, who has been booked in a criminal case arising out of First Information Report, as detailed hereunder:-

Name & age of Petitioner (s)	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Mahi Pal @ Mahipal, aged about 50 years	102	11.04.2025	115(2), 117(2), 118(2), 191(3), 190 of BNS, 2023	Kharar	SAS Nagar

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, argues that no specific injury has been attributed to the petitioner and co-accused Balram @ Kesav Rana, has already been granted concession of ad-interim bail vide order dated 03.07.2025, passed in CRM-M-23466-2025, titled as, “Balram alias Kesav Rana v. State of Punjab and another”, and said petition is now posted for its hearing on 24.09.2025.
In support of his contention, learned counsel has placed on record copy of net generated order dated 03.07.2025, in Court today, which is taken on record, subject to all just exceptions. Office to tag the same at appropriate place.
Further submits that petitioner is ready to join investigation, if protected from arrest. Thus, he prays for grant



of concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the present case.

- 3.*Notice of motion.*
- 4.*On advance notice, learned State counsel puts in appearance on behalf of the respondent – State, and seeks some time to respond to the submissions addressed by learned counsel opposite, after seeking instructions. And, in case of necessity, to file status report by verifying the submissions addressed by the petitioner’s counsel.*
- 5.*Adjourned to 24.09.2025.*
- 6.*In the meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation as and when required to do so by the Investigating Agency. In the event of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on ad-interim bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer. The petitioner shall also be abide by all the conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).*
- 7.*Besides, it is directed that petitioner would hand over his passport to the Investigating Agency or to Court concerned, if he possesses. Otherwise, would submit an affidavit, disclosing the fact that he does not possess any passport.*
It is also directed that before leaving country any time during trial, petitioner would seek prior permission of the Court.
- 8.*To be heard along with CRM-M-23466-2025.”*

4. On 11.07.2025, following order was passed by this Court in CRM-M-36062-2025:-

“1. Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438 Cr.P.C.), is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, who has been booked in a criminal case arising out of First Information Report, as detailed hereunder:-

<i>Name & age of Petitioner (s)</i>	<i>FIR No.</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Section(s)</i>	<i>Police Station</i>	<i>District</i>
<i>Harminder Singh @ Honey Rana, aged about 26 years</i>	<i>102</i>	<i>11.04.2025</i>	<i>115(2), 117(2), 118(2), 191(3), 190 of BNS</i>	<i>Kharar</i>	<i>SAS Nagar</i>

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, contends that co-accused, namely Manish Kumar @ Manga Rana, who was attributed a kick blow to the injured Pushpinder Singh, has already been granted the concession of anticipatory bail by this Court, vide order dated 27.05.2025, passed in CRM-M-22230-2025 (Annexure P-3). In contrast, petitioner is alleged to have given only a slap blow on the face of injured,

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which corresponds to injury No.2 as mentioned at serial No. 1 in the Medico-Legal Report (MLR). For reference, the said injury is reproduced as under:

“C/O PAIN IN MOUTH, UPPER LIPS AS THERE WAS DISLOCATION OF RIGHT LATERAL INCISORS TEETH OF UPPER JAW, WHICH RESTRICT THE MOVEMENT OF JAW, ADVISED DENTAL OPINION”.

3. *Further submits that other co-accused namely Balram alias Kesav Rana (petitioner in CRM-M-23466-2025) and Mahi Pal @ Mahipal (petitioner in CRM-M-34507-2025) have already been granted the concession of interim anticipatory bail by this Court, vide orders dated 03.07.2025 and 04.07.2025, respectively, and said petitions are now listed for its hearing on 24.09.2025.*

4. *Counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is also ready to join investigation and fully cooperate, if protected from arrest by this Court. Thus, prays for grant of concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the present case.*

5. *Notice of motion.*

6. *On advance notice, Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr. DAG, Punjab, puts in appearance on behalf of the respondent – State, and seeks some time to file status report in the matter.*

7. *Adjourned to 24.09.2025.*

To be heard along with CRM-M-23466-2025.

8. *In the meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation as and when required to do so by the Investigating Agency. In the event of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on ad-interim bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer. The petitioner shall also be abide by all the conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).*

9. *Besides, it is directed that petitioner would hand over his passport to the Investigating Agency or to Court concerned, if he possesses. Otherwise, would submit an affidavit, disclosing the fact that he does not possess any passport.*

It is also directed that before leaving country any time during trial, petitioner would seek prior permission of the Court.”

5. On 31.07.2025, following order was passed by this Court in

CRM-M-41257-2025:-

“1. *Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438 Cr.P.C.), is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, who has been booked in a criminal case arising out of First Information Report, as detailed hereunder:-*

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<i>Name & age of Petitioner (s)</i>	<i>FIR No.</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Section(s)</i>	<i>Police Station</i>	<i>District</i>
<i>Ankush Rana @ Ankush, aged about 28 years</i>	<i>102</i>	<i>11.04.2025</i>	<i>115(2), 117(2), 118(2), 191(3), 190 of BNS</i>	<i>Kharar</i>	<i>SAS Nagar</i>

2. *On the very outset, counsel for the petitioner submits that almost similarly situated co-accused namely Manish Kumar alias Manga Rana, who was not attributed any specific injury, has already been granted the concession of interim anticipatory bail by this Court, vide order dated 28.04.2025, passed in CRM-M-22230-2025, which subsequently was made absolute, vide order dated 27.05.2025 (Annexure P-3).*

3. *Further submits that allegation in the present case against the petitioner is that he caught hold the complainant and gave slaps and punches. However, his involvement in the case is yet to be ascertained. Moreover, petitioner is ready to join the investigation and fully cooperate, if he is protected from arrest by this Court. Thus, prays for grant of concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the present case.*

4. *Notice of motion.*

5. *On advance notice, Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr. DAG, Punjab, puts in appearance on behalf of the respondent-State.*

6. *Adjourned to 24.09.2025.*

7. *In the meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation as and when required to do so by the Investigating Agency. In the event of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on ad-interim bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer. The petitioner shall also be abide by all the conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).*

8. *Besides, it is directed that petitioner would hand over his passport to the Investigating Agency or to Court concerned, if he possesses. Otherwise, would submit an affidavit, disclosing the fact that he does not possess any passport.*

9. *It is also directed that before leaving country any time during trial, petitioner would seek prior permission of the Court.”*

6. Continuing their submissions, learned counsel for the petitioners submit that in compliance of the orders dated 03.07.2025 (in CRM-M-23466-2025), 04.07.2025 (in CRM-M-34507-2025), 11.07.2025 (in CRM-M-36062-2025) and 31.07.2025 (in CRM-M-41257-2025)

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passed by this Court, petitioners have joined the investigation, and have fully co-operated. Therefore, they pray for confirmation of the said interim anticipatory bail orders.

7. Learned State counsel has filed status report dated 23.09.2025 (in CRM-M-23466-2025) in the Court today and the same is taken on record.

8. Learned State counsel on instructions, confirms the said averment made by counsel for the petitioners of joining the investigation on 04.08.2025 by the petitioners (in all the cases), and submits that as of now, custodial interrogation of the petitioners is not required for the purpose of investigation.

9. Heard learned counsel for the parties.

10. Since, petitioners have already joined the investigation and custodial interrogation is no more required; ad-interim bail orders dated 03.07.2025 (in CRM-M-23466-2025), 04.07.2025 (in CRM-M-34507-2025), 11.07.2025 (in CRM-M-36062-2025) and 31.07.2025 (in CRM-M-41257-2025), passed by this Court are hereby made absolute. Accordingly, present petitions are allowed.

However, petitioners shall continue to join the investigation as and when required to do so and abide by all the terms and conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

11. Accordingly, present petitions stand disposed of.

12. A photocopy of this order be placed on the files of other connected cases.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

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Whether Speaking/Reasoned: YES/NO
Whether Reportable: YES/NO