



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

CRM-M-33938-2025
Date of Decision: 03.11.2025

Abhimanyu

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE AARADHNA SAWHNEY

Present: Mr. Pradeep Duhan, Advocate for
Dr. Pankaj Nanhera, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Vishal Singh, AAG, Haryana.

AARADHNA SAWHNEY, J. (ORAL)

1. By virtue of the present petition under Section 482 BNSS, petitioner, who is co-accused in case bearing FIR No.212 dated 29.05.2025 registered under Sections 3(5)/318(4)/61 BNS, 2023 and Sections 3 and 4 of the Haryana Prevention of Public Gambling Act, 2025 at Police Station City Fatehabad, District Fatehabad, has prayed for grant of pre-arrest bail.

2. In compliance of the previous order, status report dated 27.10.2025 by way of affidavit of Mr. Jagdish Kumar, HPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Fatehabad, has been filed. In para 15 thereof, role of the petitioner has been highlighted. Details of the recovery made pursuant to his arrest have also been elaborated.

3. On 17.07.2025, following order was passed by this Court:-

“Learned State counsel has filed the status report by way of affidavit of the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Fatehabad on behalf of the respondent-State in the Court today, which is taken on record subject to all just exceptions.

Learned State counsel, while drawing the attention of this Court to the status report, has submitted that the petitioner, who was nominated as an accused in the disclosure statement of co-accused Pankaj, who along with the co-accused Mohit Chaudhary, had been operating and cheating people through online cricket gambling/betting; the petitioner and the co-accused Mohit Chaudhary had floated a bogus cricket gambling website i.e. BETKING24.COM (MP Group), through which a lot of monetary transactions qua cricket betting were carried out. On being pointedly asked as to whether the investigating agency had gathered any incriminating documentary evidence/material to link the petitioner with the said online cricket gambling website, learned State counsel has drawn the attention of this Court to Annexure P-3, and has submitted that a request has been sent to USA as the URL of the website in question was configured in USA.

Adjourned to 30.09.2025.

Meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation and appear before the investigating agency, as and when called upon to do so. In the event of his arrest, he shall be admitted to interim bail on his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting/Investigating Officer. The petitioner shall abide by the terms and conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C./482(2) of BNSS, 2023.”

4. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI, Malkeet Singh, states that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not needed for any further investigation.

5. Keeping in view the fact that petitioner has joined the investigation, interim bail granted vide order dated 17.07.2025 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) 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.

- 6. The petition stands allowed.
- 7. Pending application, if any, also stands disposed of.

03.11.2025
Parveen kumar

(AARADHNA SAWHNEY)
JUDGE

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