

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

2025:PHHC:128940



(210)

CRM-M-38822-2025

Decided on : 17.09.2025

Gagandeep Singh

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent(s)

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. Amit Sharma, Advocate for
Mr. Prateek Gupta, Advocate for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Jaypreet Singh, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Digvijay Nagpal, Advocate for the complainant.

Sumeet Goel (Oral):

1. The petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 with a prayer to grant anticipatory bail to him in case FIR No.48 dated 27.05.2025 registered under Sections 109(b), 281, 125 & 125(b) of BNS, 2023 (Section 109(b) of BNS 2023 added lateron) at Police Station Ghagga, District Patiala.

2. On 01.08.2025, the following order was passed:

“Inter alia, contends that, assuming arguendo, the allegations raised in the FIR are taken to be true, the same only amounts to injury(s) caused to the complainant on account of rash and negligent driving, the petitioner and the complainant were not known to each other before hand and thus, no motive can be attributed to the petitioner & the petitioner is willing to join investigation and cooperate therein.

Adjourned to 28.8.2025.

The petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 8.8.2025 at 11:00 A.M. in concerned Police Station and join investigation. In the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim bail subject to his furnishing personal/surety bond(s) to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. As and when further called by Investigating Officer, the petitioner shall join the investigation. He shall abide by the condition(s) enumerated under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.”

3. Learned State counsel (on instructions) has submitted that the petitioner has joined investigation and he is not required for further custodial interrogation.

4. Reply has not been filed by the complainant despite opportunity given. However, learned counsel for the complainant has orally opposed the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner by arguing that allegations raised against the petitioner are serious in nature and he was also not having the requisite driving licence.

5. Keeping in view the factual milieu of the case in hand, especially the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation and cooperated therein and his custodial interrogation is not required, this Court is inclined to confirm the order dated 01.08.2025 granting anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS.

6. Ordered accordingly.

7. This order should not be treated as “blanket” order. It will not be read granting petitioner indefinite protection from arrest. It shall be confined to the FIR mentioned *ibid* and will not operate in respect of any other incident that involves commission of an offence.

8. Liberty is reserved in favour of State/complainant to move for cancellation/recall of this order in case the petitioner violates any condition stipulated under Section 482(2) of BNSS or upon showing any other sufficient cause.
9. Needless to say that anything observed herein above shall not be construed to be an opinion on the merits of the case.
10. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed off.

September 17, 2025
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(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes/No
Whether Reportable :	Yes/No