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218 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Decided on : 10.11.2025

Abhay Sharma . . . Petitioner(s)
Versus
State of Punjab . . . Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

PRESENT: Ms. Ritu Manohar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Jasdeep Singh, Addl. AG, Punjab.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (Oral)

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 here-under:-

Name of Petitioner (s)	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Abhay Sharma aged about 20 years	73	13.06.2025	3 (5), 115 (2), 118(1), 126,351 of BNS 2023	Division No.5	Jalandhar

2. On 06.08.2025, Coordinate Bench of this Court, passed the following order:-

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2. *Learned counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, contends that petitioner is a young boy of the age of 20 years, and has been falsely implicated in the present case.*

3. *It is submitted that injuries allegedly attributed to the petitioner are on non-vital parts of the body and are simple in nature. The offence, as alleged, does not fall within the category of a cognizable offence. Moreover, petitioner is presently employed as a delivery boy with Blink It company. The incident in question involved a mere exchange of words with the complainant, and FIR appears to have been registered based on a concocted version of events.*

4. *It is further submitted by counsel for the petitioner that if the petitioner is arrested, his entire future would be jeopardized, and he is likely to lose his current job with Blink It, thereby causing irreparable harm to his livelihood. Moreover, petitioner is 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 confirms that there are total three injuries attributed to the petitioner, which are found to be simple in nature. However, he seeks some time to file status report in the matter.*

6. *Adjourned to 10.11.2025.*

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. Continuing his submissions, learned counsel for the petitioner contends that in compliance of the order dated 06.08.2025, passed by this Court, petitioner has joined the investigation, and has fully co-operated. Therefore, he prays for confirmation of the said interim anticipatory bail order. The petitioner is not in possession of any passport.

4. Learned State counsel on instructions, confirms the said averment made by learned counsel for the petitioner of joining the investigation, by the petitioner, and submits that as of now, custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required for the purpose of investigation.

5. Heard learned counsel for the parties.

6. Since, petitioner has already joined the investigation and custodial interrogation is no more required; ad-interim bail order dated 06.08.2025, passed by this Court is hereby made absolute. Accordingly, present petition is allowed.

However, petitioner 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.

7. **Accordingly, petition stands disposed of.**

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

November 10, 2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether Reportable: Yes/No