

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

2025:PHHC:135760



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CRM-M-44099-2025 (O&M)

Date of decision:12.09.2025

Surjeet Kumar

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present: Mr. Vinay Puri, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Roshandeep Singh, AAG, Punjab.

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MANISHA BATRA, J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed by the petitioner for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.89 dated 04.07.2025, registered under Sections 13(3) A, 67 of the Gambling Act and Sections 112, 318(4) of the BNS, at Police Station City Morinda, District Rupnagar.

2. Vide order dated 13.08.2025, passed by this Court, the petitioner was granted interim bail and was directed to join investigation.

3. Status report has been filed by learned State counsel. Learned State counsel, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, has submitted that the petitioner has joined investigation on 19.08.2025 and his custodial interrogation is not required.

4. Given the nature of the allegations, this Court is of the considered opinion that pre-trial incarceration of the petitioner is not required. As such, a case is made out for allowing the present petition.

Accordingly, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 13.08.2025 passed by this Court, granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute, subject to the conditions laid down in Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023 (analogous to Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure).

26.09.2025

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(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No