



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

CRM-M-44042-2025

Date of decision: 23.09.2025

IQBAL SINGH

....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RUPINDERJIT CHAHAL

Present:- Mr. N.S. Chahal, Advocate and
Mr. J.S. Brar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ravinder Singh, DAG Punjab.

Mr. Gurfateh Singh Khosa, Advocate for the complainant.

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RUPINDERJIT CHAHAL, J. (ORAL)

1. Through the instant petition filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (For short "BNSS"), the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR No.118 dated 10.07.2025 under Sections 125 and 351 of BNS, 2023 and Section 27.54.59 of the Arms Act, registered at Police Station Sadar Sri Muktsar Sahib, District Sri Muktsar Sahib.

2. On 20.08.2025, following order had been passed: -

“ Prayer in the present petition filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.118 dated 10.07.2025 registered under Sections 125 and 351 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Section 27 of the Arms Act, at Police Sadar Sri Muktsar Sahib, District Sri Muktsar Sahib.

Status report filed by learned State counsel, in Court today, is taken on record.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. He argued that even as per the allegations, no offence under Section 27 of the Arms Act is made out as admittedly the alleged weapon used by the petitioner is a licensed weapon. The other alleged offences under Section 125 and 351 of the BNS are bailable. It is further contended that it is a case of no injury and has been registered due to political vendetta. The petitioner is numberdar of



the village since long and is a law abiding citizen and has a permanent place of abode. The petitioner is ready to deposit his licensed weapon before the police and is ready and willing to join the investigation as and when called upon to do so by the investigating agency.

On the other hand, learned State counsel as also learned counsel appearing for the complainant have opposed the prayer for grant of anticipatory bail. While referring to the status report, it is argued that the allegations levelled against the petitioner are serious in nature.

Adjourned to 23.09.2025.

In the meantime, the petitioner is directed to join investigation within a week from today and would appear as and when required by the Investigating Officer and cooperate with the Investigating Agency. In the event of arrest, he shall be admitted to interim bail on furnishing of bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. The petitioner shall also abide by the conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of the order dated 20.08.2025 passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined the investigation.
4. Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Balwant Singh, has submitted that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is no longer required for further investigation.
5. In view of the statement made by learned State counsel, the interim order dated 20.08.2025 is made absolute. The petitioner shall continue to join investigation, as and when called by the Investigating Officer and shall also abide by the conditions as provided under Section 482(2) of the BNSS.

(RUPINDERJIT CHAHAL)
JUDGE

23.09.2025

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |