



CRM-M-46830-20251

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH
216(2)

CRM-M-46830-2025
Decided on: November 06, 2025

Hardeep Singh
.....Petitioner
Versus
State of Punjab
.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: Mr. J.K. Singla, Advocate, and
Ms. Suman Rani, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Vinay Malhotra, DAG, Punjab.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J.

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 hereunder:-

Name of Petitioner	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Hardeep Singh, aged about 28 years	24	23.03.2025	21, 29 of NDPS Act, 1985 and Section 341(2) of BNS added later on	Tapa	Barnala

2. On 26.08.2025, following order was passed:-

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2. Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that there is recovery of 50 grams of ‘Heroin’ from the main accused ‘Mandeep Singh alias Babbu’ and subsequently, on the basis of his disclosure statement, name of the petitioner emerged in the present case. Apart the disclosure statement of co-accused ‘Mandeep Singh alias Babbu’, there is no other substantive evidence available with the prosecution.

Besides, petitioner is ready to join investigation and cooperate with the investigating agency, if protected from arrest. Thus, prays for grant of concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the present case.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On advance notice, Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr. DAG, Punjab, puts in appearance on behalf of the respondent – State, and seeks some time to respond to the submissions addressed by learned counsel opposite, after seeking instructions. And, in case of necessity, to file status report.

5. Adjourned to 06.11.2025.
To be heard along with CRM-M-40451-2025.

6. 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.).

7. 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 26.08.2025, passed by this Court, petitioner has joined the investigation on

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13.09.2025, and has fully co-operated. Therefore, he prays for confirmation of the said interim anticipatory bail order.

4. Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Karamjit Singh, confirms the said averment made by counsel for the petitioner of joining the investigation on 13.09.2025, 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 26.08.2025, 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 06, 2025
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Whether Speaking/Reasoned: **YES/NO**
Whether Reportable: **YES/NO**