

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

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CRM-M-48272-2025

Date of decision: 27th October, 2025

Sunil Kumar @ Bhola

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present: Mr. Umesh Aggarwal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Sakshi Bakshi, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

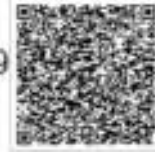
Mr. Gagandeep Singh Bajwa, Advocate for the complainant.

MANISHA BATRA, J (ORAL):-

Through the instant petition under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS'), the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR No. 48 dated 20.03.2025 registered under Sections 115(2), 118(1), 118(2), 351(2) and 3(5) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNS') (Section 238 of BNS added later on) at Police Station Gate Hakima, Police Commissionerate, Amritsar.

2. Vide order dated 01.09.2025 passed by this Court, the petitioner was released on interim bail and was directed to join investigation.

3. Learned State counsel has submitted that offence under Section 238 of BNS has been added during the course of investigation. She has also submitted that the petitioner has joined the investigation on 30.09.2025 and he is not required for custodial interrogation.



4. Mr. Gagandeep Singh Bajwa, Advocate has put in appearance on behalf of the complainant and has submitted that there are serious allegations against the petitioner and he does not deserve to be extended benefit of pre-arrest bail.

5. In view of the fact that the petitioner has already joined the investigation and the given nature of allegations, his pre-trial incarceration is not required. As such, without commenting on merits of case, it is observed that a case for release of petitioner on bail is made out. Accordingly, the petition is allowed and the order 01.09.2025 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute, subject to compliance of conditions laid down in Section 482(2) of BNSS.

5. Since the main petition has been disposed of, pending application, if any, is rendered infructuous.

[MANISHA BATRA]
JUDGE

27th October, 2025

Parveen Sharma

1. *Whether speaking/ reasoned*
2. *Whether reportable*

: *Yes / No*
: *Yes / No*