



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

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CRM-M-57728-2025

Date of decision: 18th November, 2025

Robin

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present: Mr. Sunil Sihag, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Himani Arora, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana.

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. 128 dated 08.06.2025 registered under Sections 13(2) and 13(1) of Haryana Govansh Sanskaran and Gosamvardhan Act, 2015 at Police Station Pinangwan, District Mewat (Nuh).

2. Vide order dated 14.10.2025 passed by this Court, the petitioner was released on interim bail and was directed to join investigation.

3. Learned State counsel filed status report dated 14.11.2025. The same is taken on record. She further, on instructions, states that the petitioner joined the investigation on 18.10.2025. However, it is, submitted by learned State counsel that custodial interrogation of the petitioner is required for the purpose of eliciting information about identity or whereabouts of the other persons involved in the offence. Therefore, it is urged that the petition does



not deserve to be allowed.

4. The petitioner joined investigation on 18.10.2025. With regard to contention that the petitioner has not co-operated with the investigation, it may be stated that the behavior attributed to the petitioner cannot be considered as an instance of non-cooperation, justifying denial for grant of pre-arrest bail since, an accused, while joining investigation, is not expected to make self incriminating statement under the threat that the State may seek withdrawal of the interim protection granted to him. Keeping in view the nature of the allegations as levelled against the petitioner, this Court is of the considered opinion that the pre-trial incarceration of the petitioner is not required. It is also well settled that pre-trial incarceration should not be a replica of post-conviction. Accordingly, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 14.10.2025 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute, subject to compliance of conditions laid down in Section 482(2) of BNSS.

5. It is, however, clarified that the observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

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

[MANISHA BATRA]
JUDGE

18th November, 2025

Parveen Sharma

1. Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes / No
2. Whether reportable	:	Yes / No