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

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Date of decision: 27.11.2025

NARINDER SINGH

... Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL

Present: Mr. Vipin Mahajan, Sr. Advocate with
Mr. Vikrant Mahajan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Kunwarbir Singh, AAG Punjab.

SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL, J.

Petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case arising out of FIR No. 69 dated 18.08.2025 under Sections 351(2), 74 and 75 Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, Police Station D-Division, District Amritsar. This is the first petition for anticipatory bail.

Broadly, allegations against the petitioner are that on 28.03.2025, at around 9.00 PM, when the prosecutrix along with her relatives and other pilgrims went to pay obeisance at *Durgiana Mandir, Hathi Gate, Amritsar*, she stayed back in the bus due to pain in her foot. At that time, Narinder Singh, driver of the bus, switched off light of the bus, came close to her and started obscene conversation. When she asked him to switch on the light, he threatened her, snatched her mobile and pulled her clothes. He also tried to make forcible



physical relations with her. When she tried to open the gate, he pulled her close and started the bus. In the meanwhile, her brother-in-law and other relatives reached. They got the door opened and asked him to stop the bus but he started quarrelling.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that there was 03 months delay in lodging of FIR, which was registered on 26.06.2025, that too in Pune. He further submits that the allegations in the FIR did not appeal to ordinary prudence considering age of the prosecutrix, who was 53 years old and the fact that she was accompanied by 11 relatives. Petitioner who had clean antecedents was ready and willing to join investigation and deserved to be enlarged on anticipatory bail.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Kunwarbir Singh, AAG Punjab, appears on advance notice and opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail arguing that there was no previous acquaintance between the prosecutrix and the petitioner, nor any motive of the prosecutrix to involve him falsely. He further submits that prosecutrix tried in vain to get the FIR lodged in Amritsar and also approached the Commissioner of Police on 29.05.2025 but to no avail, on which account, she made a complaint in Police Station Bharti Vidya Peeth, Pune on return to her home town.

Considering the nature and substance of allegations against the petitioner, who molested the prosecutrix, who was travelling in the bus he was



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driving, no case for extending the extraordinary relief of anticipatory bail is made out. Therefore, without commenting upon the merits of the case, the petition stands dismissed.

Pending CRM(s), if any, are also disposed of accordingly.

(SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL)
JUDGE

27.11.2025
Ajay Goswami

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No