



In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana, at Chandigarh

Criminal Misc. No. M-3656 of 2026

Date of Decision: 23.04.2026

Sandeep Bhatti

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Surya Partap Singh.

Present: Mr. Saurabh Arora and Mr. Abhishek Masih, Advocates
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Eklavya Darshi, Deputy Advocate General,
Punjab, for the respondent.

Mr. Utkrant Mahajan, Advocate
for the complainant.

Surya Partap Singh, J.

1. This petition for anticipatory bail is the first petition filed by the petitioner under Section 482 of 'the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023'. It has been filed with regard to a case arising out of FIR No. 196 dated 12.12.2025, for the commission of offence punishable under Section(s) 115(2), 118(1), 190 and 191(3) [Section 118(2) added later on] of 'the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023' Police Station Dhariwal, District Gurdaspur, Punjab.

2. Vide order dated 23.01.2026, the petitioner was admitted to interim anticipatory bail, subject to the condition of furnishing bonds to the satisfaction of arresting officer. It was also directed that the petitioner shall join the investigation.

3. Heard.

4. It has been submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that in compliance with order dated 23.01.2026, the petitioner has already joined the investigation, and that nothing has been left to be recovered from the possession of petitioner. In view of above, the learned counsel for the petitioner has requested that the order dated 23.01.2026 be made absolute.

5. The learned State counsel, on instructions from 'ASI Ranjit Singh', has submitted that the petitioner has joined investigation, and that for further investigation of this case his custodial interrogation is not required.

6. The record has been perused carefully.

7. Keeping in view the aforesaid submissions and the fact that the petitioner has already joined the investigation, it is hereby ordered that the petitioner is entitled for anticipatory bail. Hence, the present petition is hereby **allowed** and the order dated 23.01.2026, whereby the petitioner was accorded the benefit of interim anticipatory bail, is hereby made absolute.

(Surya Partap Singh)
Judge

April 23, 2026
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No