



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

CRM-M-5599-2026
Date of Decision:19.03.2026

Vinod Kumar

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE AARADHNA SAWHNEY

Present: Mr. Vivek Singla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Darshan Singh Malwai, Add. AG, Punjab.

Mr. Shubham Mehta, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

AARADHNA SAWHNEY, J. (ORAL)

1. By virtue of the present petition under Section 482 BNSS, petitioner, an accused in case bearing FIR No.115 dated 11.12.2025 registered under Sections 108, 351(2), 61(2) BNS at Police Station Bhadaur, District Barnala, has prayed for grant of pre-arrest bail.

2. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI, Kamaljit Singh states that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not needed for any further investigation.

3. On 06.02.2026, following order was passed by this Court:-

“Learned counsel submits that the allegations though against the petitioner are of abetment, however, the same have not made his case fall within the definition of abetment as defined under Section 45 BNS, so as to constitute the offence under Section 108 BNS. As a matter of fact, complainant has himself now sworn an affidavit dated 10.01.2026, Annexure P2 stating therein that the alleged suicide note does not bear the hand-writing and signature of his father (since

deceased) and that petitioner and Gurmit Singh Kanda are innocent. He is ready and willing to join the investigation as and when required by the investigating agency and will cooperate.

Notice of motion.

At the asking of the Court, Ms. Gagandeep Kaur, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State and Mr. Shubham Mehta, Advocate, on behalf of respondent No.2 and affirms the aforesaid factum.

Meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation on or before 16.02.2026. In the event of his arrest, he shall be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer, subject to compliance of conditions as enshrined under Section 482(2) BNSS.

However, it is clarified that if the petitioner does not join and cooperate with the Investigating Agency as required by the Arresting/Investigating Officer, this interim order shall be deemed to have been vacated.

Adjourned to 09.03.2026.”

4. Keeping in view the fact that petitioner has joined the investigation, interim bail granted vide order dated 06.02.2026 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) BNSS. Further the petitioner is directed to join investigation as and when required in future by way of written notice for such purpose to be served by Investigating Officer of this case upon the petitioner; he will not tamper with the evidence nor will influence the witnesses and will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court.

5. The petition stands allowed.

6. Pending application, if any, also stands disposed of.

19.03.2026

Parveen kumar

**(AARADHNA SAWHNEY)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No