



203 (4 cases)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

Date of Decision:- 09.03.2026

(1)

CRM-M-1062-2026 (O&M)

RAHUL SABHARWAL

....Petitioner

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB

....Respondent

(2)

CRM-M-1778-2026

JAGDEEP SINGH @ JONY

....Petitioner

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

...Respondents

(3)

CRM-M-5900-2026

DEEPIKA SAINI

....Petitioner

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

...Respondents

(4)

CRM-M-6353-2026

KULWINDER KUMAR

....Petitioner

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

...Respondents

**CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE AMARJOT BHATTI**

Present:- Mr. Amrit Paul Nahar, Advocate
for the petitioner in CRM-M-1062-2026.

Mr. Arnav Sood, Advocate
for the petitioner in CRM-M-1778-2026.

Mr. Mukand Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner(s) in CRM-M-5900-2026 &
CRM-M-6353-2026.

Ms. Manjot Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Achin Gupta, Advocate and
Mr. Karan Bansal, Advocate
for respondent No. 2/complainant in all cases.

AMARJOT BHATTI, J.**CRM-7347-2026 in CRM-M-1062-2026**

This is an application filed under Section 528 of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 for placing on record diary number, copy
of cheques, payment transaction receipts and case status report as
Annexures P-4 to P-7.

For the reasons enumerated in application, same is allowed.
Accompanying documents i.e. Annexures P-4 to P-7 are taken on record,
subject to all just exceptions.

Main case(s)

1. All aforementioned petition(s) have arisen out of same FIR,
therefore, same are taken up together for disposal.
2. Petitioners Rahul Sabharwal, Jagdeep Singh @ Jony and
Deepika Saini have filed separate petitions under Section 482 of Bharatiya



Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 for grant of anticipatory bail, whereas, petitioner Kulwinder Kumar has filed separate petition under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 for grant of regular bail, in case FIR No. 390 dated 16.12.2025 under Section 108 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 registered at Police Station City Hoshiarpur, District Hoshiarpur.

3. As per the facts of case, complainant Surinder Singh-husband of deceased victim gave his statement that his wife Surinder Kaur i.e. victim, aged about 57 years was working as a social worker. On 15.12.2025 at about 06:15 pm, he received call from unknown person who was calling from mobile phone of his wife and disclosed that his wife had collapsed on the road near nursery on the passage leading towards Green View Park near Gurudwara Sahib, DC Road. He immediately reached on the spot and his son Rajender Singh also reached there. His wife was taken to Narad Hospital and from there she was shifted to Livasa Hospital, Chandigarh Road, Hoshiarpur, where she expired at about 11:00 pm, during the course of treatment. Doctor disclosed that his wife had consumed some poisonous substance. Thereafter, he checked purse of his wife, from which packet containing Celphos tablets and a hand written suicide note was recovered, where she had named persons who were responsible for her death, namely, Jagdeep Singh @ Jony, owner of Saini Furniture House, Aslamabad and his daughter Deepika Saini, Sudhir Sharma, Sonu and Rahul Sabharwal. Complainant stated that aforesaid persons used to come to their house and threatened his wife by saying that in case she did not get their money repaid



from customers, she will face dire consequences. His wife never borrowed money, however she had introduced needy persons to accused and for this reason, they started harassment to his wife by saying that either she should pay their dues or get the same paid. Due to this harassment, his wife committed suicide. With these allegations, present FIR has been registered.

4. Learned counsel representing petitioner Rahul Sabharwal in CRM-M-1062-2026 argued that all allegations levelled against present petitioner are false. In fact, alleged victim borrowed money from him and did not return the same. In this regard, Sonu Sabharwal had written a complaint to SHO, Police Station Model Town, Hoshiarpur dated 15.12.2025 (Annexure P-2). Apart from this, he has also annexed receipt for handing over the complaint to police as well as four blank signed cheques given by way of security as well as screenshots of UPI payment by Surinder Kaur to the tune of Rs. 91,000/- (Annexures P-4 to P-6 respectively). It is pointed out that petitioner has not committed any offence nor he abetted in any manner in the commission of suicide by said victim. Without appreciating the facts, his anticipatory bail application was wrongly declined by learned Additional Sessions Judge, Hoshiarpur vide order dated 24.12.2025 (Annexure P-3). Petitioner is ready to join investigation. Therefore, his anticipatory bail petition may be allowed.

5. Learned counsel representing petitioner Jagdeep Singh @ Jony in CRM-M-1778-2026 argued that present petitioner is running a finance company in the name of J.S. Enterprises. Form 'A' of Register of Firms is Annexure P-2. Deceased victim took a loan of Rs. 3,00,000/- and gave a



cheque by way of security (Annexure P-3). Statement of account of petitioner starting from 01.07.2025 is Annexure P-4. Without appreciating the facts, his anticipatory bail application was wrongly declined by learned Additional Sessions Judge, Hoshiarpur vide order dated 24.12.2025 (Annexure P-5). Petitioner is ready to join investigation. Therefore, his anticipatory bail petition may be allowed.

6. Learned counsel representing petitioner Deepika Saini in CRM-M-5900-2026 argued that present petitioner is falsely implicated in this case. Before marriage, she was working along with her father Kulwinder Kumar in the year 2020. Surinder Kaur was working as a social worker. She purchased furniture from her father's shop and used to make payment in installments. Surinder Kaur had also raised loan from various persons and she used to repay installments in piece-meal. She was under debt. Present petitioner has not abetted in any manner in commission of suicide by Surinder Kaur. Her anticipatory bail application was wrongly declined by learned Additional Sessions Judge, Hoshiarpur vide order dated 17.01.2026 (Annexure P-2). She is ready to join investigation and will cooperate with Investigating Agency. Therefore, her anticipatory bail petition may be allowed.

7. Learned counsel representing Kulwinder Kumar in CRM-M-6353-2026 argued that present petitioner is running a furniture shop at Hoshiarpur. Surinder Kaur used to purchase furniture from his shop on credit and used to pay money in installments. She was working as a social worker. She had raised loan from various persons and she was under debt.



He was arrested in this case on 16.12.2025 and joined investigation. His regular bail application was wrongly declined by learned Additional Sessions Judge, Hoshiarpur vide order dated 17.01.2026 (Annexure P-2). Petitioner is ready to abide by terms of bail order. Therefore, his regular bail petition may be allowed.

8. Bail petitions referred above are opposed by learned counsel representing State of Punjab assisted by learned counsel representing respondent No. 2/complainant in all cases. Status reports have been filed in all cases. Facts narrated in FIR are confirmed. It was a case of unnatural death. Copy of Postmortem Report is Annexure R-1 (in CRM-M-1062-2026). Final opinion of doctor will come on the receipt of Chemical Examiner report and Histopathology report from GMC, Amritsar. Present petitioners are connected with said offence on the basis of suicide note. Translated copy of suicide note is Annexure R-2/T (in CRM-M-1062-2026). Petitioners are specifically named in suicide note who are required to join investigation. Considering the gravity of offence, anticipatory bail petitions filed by petitioners, namely, Rahul Sabharwal, Jagdeep Singh @ Jony and Deepika Saini may be dismissed. Trial in this case is yet to start. Therefore, regular bail petition filed by petitioner Kulwinder Kumar may also be declined.

9. I have considered the bail petitions filed by aforesaid petitioners. Firstly, I will deal with anticipatory bail petition filed by petitioner Rahul Sabharwal in CRM-M-1062-2026. He took the stand that Surinder Kaur had borrowed money from him and regarding this fact, he



has placed on record four blank signed cheques as well as screenshots of UPI payment which comes out to the tune of Rs. 91,000/- (Annexures P-5 and P-6 respectively). However, regarding raising of loan, no document is annexed. Surprisingly, petitioner has placed on record four signed cheques without date, name or amount. So far as suicide note (Annexure R-2/T) is concerned, she has referred to continuous harassment caused to her by compelling her to make payment.

Similarly, in anticipatory bail petition filed by petitioner Jagdeep Singh @ Jony in CRM-M-1778-2026, he also took the stand that deceased victim had taken loan from his finance company and by way of security, victim had given signed undated cheque to the tune of Rs. 3 lakhs. Photocopy of same is Annexure P-3. He also produced his statement of account (Annexure P-4), showing payments made by deceased victim from time to time. Even in this case, learned counsel for petitioner could not produce any document regarding raising of loan by deceased victim.

Considering the aforesaid factual position, matter requires thorough investigation. Victim died unnatural death, leaving behind suicide note, naming the persons responsible for her death. Investigation is at initial stage. **Therefore, I do not find a fit case for grant of anticipatory bail to petitioners Rahul Sabharwal and Jagdeep Singh @ Jony and their respective anticipatory bail petitions bearing CRM-M Nos. 1062 and 1778 of 2026 are, accordingly dismissed.**

10. Petitioner Deepika Saini filed anticipatory bail petition bearing CRM-M-5900-2026, who is daughter of Kulwinder Kumar – petitioner in



CRM-M-6353-2026, who has filed regular bail petition. As per version of both petitioners referred above, deceased victim purchased furniture and was making payment in installments. Aforesaid petitioners claimed that deceased victim had raised loan from others also and she was under debt. Along with bail petitions of these petitioners, no bill has been annexed regarding purchase of furniture. Kulwinder Kumar – petitioner in CRM-M-6353-2026 was arrested in this case on 16.12.2025 and at present he is in judicial custody. He has already joined investigation. Police must have verified factual position from Kulwinder Kumar while he was in police custody. So far as petitioner Deepika Saini in CRM-M-5900-2026 is concerned, she is daughter of petitioner Kulwinder Kumar, who was working with her father since 2020 and thereafter, she got married. Both these petitioners are related to each other and their transaction was regarding furniture shop run by them.

Considering the aforesaid factual position, **anticipatory bail petition filed by petitioner Deepika Saini in CRM-M-5900-2026 is allowed.** She be not arrested. In case of her arrest, she be released on bail to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer concerned, subject to condition that petitioner will join investigation as and when required. She will not tamper with or interfere with investigation and will not leave country without prior permission as provided under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

So far as petitioner Kulwinder Kumar in CRM-M-6353-2026 is concerned, he has already joined investigation. Challan is to be presented



after completion of entire investigation. No purpose would be served by keeping him behind the bars for indefinite time period. **Therefore, regular bail petition i.e. CRM-M-6353-2026 filed by petitioner Kulwinder Kumar is allowed.** He is ordered to be released on bail on furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Duty Judge concerned.

11. It is made clear that my aforesaid observations made while disposing of bail petitions referred above will have no bearing on the merits of case.

12. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, in all cases, stand disposed of accordingly as well.

13. A photocopy of this order be placed on the files of connected cases mentioned above.

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JUDGE

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