



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-8062-2026
Date of Decision: 17.03.2026
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Gurpreet Singh @ Gori
.....Petitioner.
Versus
State of Punjab
.....Respondent.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present:- Ms. Gaganpreet Kaur, Advocate for
Mr. Kuldip Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Baljinder Singh Sra, Addl. A.G, Punjab.

SUMEET GOEL, J.(Oral)

Present petition has been filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023, for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case bearing FIR No.37 dated 25.04.2024, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 452, 324, 323, 148 and 149 IPC (Sections 460, 326 and 325 IPC added later on), at Police Station Sadar Jalalabad, District Fazilka.

On 12.02.2026, the following order was passed:

“Learned counsel contends that there is a delay of 45 days in lodging the FIR. No injury has been attributed to the petitioner, while he was stated to be armed with a dang. Co-accused similarly circumstanced, namely, Manjeet Singh, though allegedly had caused simple injury, has since been

granted interim anticipatory bail by this Court, vide order dated 09.02.2026, as also Seema Rani, who gave a stick blow on the back of Kiranpreet Kaur, on 09.10.2025. The petitioner 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.

Meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation on or before 23.02.2026. 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) of BNSS, 2023.

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 17.03.2026.”

2. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Beant Singh, submits that pursuant to the order dated 12.02.2026, the petitioner has joined investigation and is no longer required for custodial interrogation.
3. In view of the above, this Court is inclined to confirm the order dated 12.02.2026. Accordingly, the instant petition is allowed. The interim order dated 12.02.2026, passed by this Court is made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS.
4. This order should not be treated as “blanket” order. It will not be read granting petitioner indefinite protection from arrest. It shall be confined to the FIR mentioned *ibid* and will not operate in respect of any

other incident that involves commission of an offence.

5. Liberty is reserved in favour of State/complainant to move for cancellation/recall of this order in case the petitioner violates any condition stipulated under Section 482(2) of BNSS or upon showing any other sufficient cause.

6. Needless to say that anything observed herein above shall not be construed to be an opinion on the merits of the case.

March 17, 2026
Yag Dutt

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether Reportable: Yes/No