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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-10481-2026

Ravi Kant

....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

Date of Decision: March 23, 2026

Date of Uploading: March 23, 2026

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Dr. Rau P.S. Girwar, Advocate,
Ms. K.T. Rau, Advocate and
Ms. Archana Arora Rau, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Adhiraj Singh Thind, AAG Punjab.

SUMEET GOEL, J. (ORAL)

Present petition has been filed under Section 482 of the
Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') for grant of
concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, in case FIR No.180 dated
04.10.2025, under Sections 333, 126(3) and 3(5) of the BNS, 2023, at Police
Station City Rampura, Bathinda.

2. On 23.02.2026, the following order was passed:

“Apprehending his arrest in FIR No.180 dated 04.10.2025, registered for offences punishable under Sections 333, 126(3) and 3(5) of the BNS, 2023, at Police Station City Rampura, Bathinda; the petitioner has preferred this petition under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking pre-arrest bail.

Inter alia contends that the petitioner is not named in the FIR in question, the FIR has been registered on 04.10.2025, whereas, the petitioner has been falsely implicated into the FIR in question on the basis of General Diary No.019, on 13.11.2025, the petitioner is merely a tenant of co-accused, namely, Vikas Garg, the petitioner is a man aged 30 years having clean antecedents, & the petitioner is willing to join investigation and cooperate therein.

Notice of motion.

On the strength of advance service of copy of petition, Mr. Hemant Aggarwal, DAG Punjab appears and accepts notice on behalf of the respondent – State of Punjab.

Put up on 23.03.2026.

The petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 27.02.2026 at 11:00 A.M. in concerned Police Station and join investigation. In the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim bail subject to his furnishing personal/surety bond(s) to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. As and when further called by Investigating Officer, the petitioner shall join the investigation. He shall abide by the condition(s) enumerated under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.”

3. Learned State counsel (on instructions) has stated that the petitioner has joined investigation, and his custodial interrogation is not required.

4. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and upon perusal of the record; especially in view of the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation and his custodial interrogation is not being sought for by the State, the interim order dated 23.02.2026 passed by this Court is made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

5. Petition stands **allowed**, accordingly.

6. 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.

7. 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, 2023 or upon showing any other sufficient cause.

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

9. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

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

Whether reportable: Yes/No