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

CRM-M-10905-2026**Date of Decision:30.03.2026**

Harmandeep Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE AARADHNA SAWHNEY**Present:** Mr. Tejbir Singh Hundal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Gurdeep Singh, AAG, Punjab.

AARADHNA SAWHNEY, J. (ORAL)

1. Petitioner, an accused in case FIR No.94 dated 11.07.2023 registered against him, for commission of offences punishable u/s 323, 324, 451, 427, 148, 149 IPC (Section 451 IPC deleted later on and Section 452 IPC added) at P.S. Jaito, District Faridkot has prayed for grant of pre-arrest bail.

2. Status report dated 29.03.2026 by way of affidavit of Mr. Avtar Singh, PPS, Superintendent of Police, Sub-Division Jaitu, Distt. Faridkot, has been filed. The same is taken on record. In para 8 thereof, factum of petitioner having joined the investigation has been mentioned. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI, Gurmukh Singh states that the petitioner is not needed for any further investigation.

3. On 24.02.2026 following order was passed by this Court:-

Petitioner, an accused in case FIR No.94 dated 11.07.2023 registered against him, for commission of offences punishable u/s 323, 324, 451, 427, 148, 149 IPC (Section 451 IPC deleted later on and Section 452 IPC added) at P.S. Jaito, District Faridkot has prayed for grant of pre-arrest bail.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. He has nothing to do with

the present incident. Further, even if the story as portrayed by the complainant is taken to be true at its face value (though not admitted), the only role assigned to petitioner is that he was present at the site and was one of the members of the unlawful assembly, though he was neither armed nor assaulted the complainant. Learned counsel further submits that nonetheless petitioner is willing to join the investigation as and when called for by the IO.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Kamalpreet Bawa, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State and seeks time to file detailed status report.

Adjourned to 30.03.2026.

In the meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation as and when required to do so by the Investigating Agency. In the event of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on ad-interim bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer. The petitioner shall also be abide by all the conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).

4. Keeping in view the fact that petitioner has joined the investigation, interim bail granted vide order dated 24.02.2026 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.

30.03.2026

Parveen kumar

**(AARADHNA SAWHNEY)
JUDGE**

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