



**201+237 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
CHANDIGARH**

**CRM-M-13361-2026 (O&M)**

**Date of Decision: 30.03.2026**

**SOURAV @ BALJEET SINGH**

**...Petitioner**

**V/S**

**STATE OF PUNJAB**

**...Respondent**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL**

Present: Mr. Munish Puri, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sukhbeer Singh, DAG Punjab.

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**SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL J. (Oral)**

1. Petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case arising out of FIR No. 0016 dated 17.02.2026 under Sections 115(2), 118(1), 333, 74, 76, 3(5) Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, Police Station Sadar Pathankot, District Pathankot. This is the first petition for anticipatory bail.

2. On 11.03.2026, following order was passed:

*“Petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case arising out of FIR No. 0016 dated 17.02.2026 under Sections 115(2), 118(1), 333, 74, 76, 3(5) Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, Police Station Sadar Pathankot, District Pathankot. This is the first petition for anticipatory bail.*

*Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner had been falsely implicated on account of political rivalry with his uncle Jarnail Singh who too had been implicated as accused. He further submits that the offences under Section 74 and 76 BNS were attributed to co-accused and not to the petitioner. The complainant only suffered simple injuries. He further submits that co-accused Jarnail*

*Singh against whom allegations under Section 74 and 76 BNS were levelled, had since been enlarged on anticipatory bail vide order of this Court dated 06.03.2026 and case of the petitioner was on better footing. Petitioner, who had clean antecedents, was ready and willing to join investigation.*

*Notice of Motion.*

*Mr. Kunwarbir Singh, AAG Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of Respondent-State and opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail arguing that petitioner inflicted injuries to the complainant Anchal Kumari as well as to co-victim Lakhwinder Singh and the injuries on the person of Lakhwinder Singh were kept under observation.*

*In the facts and circumstances of the case, petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating/Arresting Officer and join investigation within one week or as and when required. In the event of his arrest, the Investigating/Arresting Officer shall release the petitioner on interim anticipatory bail on furnishing personal/surety bonds to his/her satisfaction. The petitioner shall also abide by the conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023.*

*State is directed to file status report on 30.03.2026.*

*To be heard along with CRM-M-11948-2026.”*

3. Vide order dated 11.03.2026 passed by this Court, the petitioner was granted interim bail and was directed to join investigation.
4. Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Paramjeet submits that petitioner has joined investigation and is no longer required for custodial interrogation.
5. Petitioner has joined investigation pursuant to order of this Court dated 11.03.2026 and his further custodial interrogation is not required. In the circumstances of the case but without commenting on merits, the petition is allowed and order dated dated 06.03.2026, granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute, subject to the conditions laid down in Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023.
6. Pending CRM(s), if any, are also disposed of accordingly.

(SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL)  
JUDGE

30.03.2026  
Ajay Goswami

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| <i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i> | <i>Yes/No</i> |
| <i>Whether reportable</i>        | <i>Yes/No</i> |