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

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Date of decision: 05.05.2026

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PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA AND ANOTHER

RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL

Present: Mr. Daljeet Singh Randhawa, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Kshitij Bharti, AAG Haryana.

Shalini Singh Nagpal, J. (Oral)

1. Petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case vide FIR No.55 dated 17.02.2026 under Sections 137(2) and 96 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita(B.N.S.), 2023 and Section 12 of The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012, Police Station Ellenabad. This is the first petition for anticipatory bail.

2. On 13.03.2026, following order was passed:-

“Petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case arising out FIR No. 55 dated 17.02.2026 under Sections 137(2), 96 Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Section 12 Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012, Police Station Ellenabad, District Sirsa. This is the first petition for anticipatory bail.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner was innocent and had been falsely implicated. He further submits that the entire story in the FIR was false and made up. In fact, petitioner and prosecutrix were friends and in this context, he referred to the text conversations between them. It was the prosecutrix, who had been repeatedly pressurizing the petitioner to give her a mobile phone. She had been imploring him to take her with him and had also threatened to commit suicide if he did not do so. It was submitted that prosecutrix, left him of her own accord, remained with petitioner only for half an hour whereafter she returned to her parents custody the very same day. Petitioner was 20 years old, his



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antecedents were clean and he was ready and willing to join investigation.

Notice of Motion.

Mr. Vikas Bhardwaj, AAG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of Respondent No.1-State and opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail arguing that age of the prosecutrix was 15 years and in her statement under Section 183 BNSS, she fully supported the prosecution case.

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 21.04.2026.”

3. Learned State counsel concedes that petitioner had joined investigation and further custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required. As per office report, notice to respondent No.2 has been served but none has put in appearance on her behalf.

4. Considering the entire facts and circumstances of the case, as enumerated above, but without commenting on merits, order dated 13.03.2026, granting interim anticipatory bail to the petitioner is made absolute, subject to conditions laid down in Section 482(2) Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

5. All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, stand disposed of.

(SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL)
JUDGE

05.05.2026
HS.CHAUHAN

Whether Speaking/Reasoned :
Whether Reportable :

Yes/No
Yes/No