

2026:PHHC:074045

215 (1st case)IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-15354-2026

Gurdit Singh and another

....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

Date of Decision: May 12, 2026

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CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. Harish Goyal, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Jaypreet Singh, DAG Punjab.

Ms. Roma Gill, Advocate for respondents No.2 and 3
(presence marked through video-conferencing).

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 petitioners, in case FIR No.0011 dated
13.01.2026, registered for offences punishable under Sections 115(2), 118,
126(2), 332(c), 351(2), 118(2), 117(2) and 3(5) of the BNS, 2023
(corresponding Sections 323, 324, 341, 451, 506, 326, 325 and 34 of IPC), at
Police Station Longowal, District Sangrur.

2. On 19.03.2026, the following order was passed:

*“Apprehending their arrest in FIR No.0011 dated 13.01.2026,
registered for offences punishable under Sections 115(2), 118, 126(2),
332(c), 351(2), 118(2), 117(2) and 3(5) of the BNS, 2023 (corresponding*

Sections 323, 324, 341, 451, 506, 326, 325 and 34 of IPC), at Police Station Longowal, District Sangrur; the petitioners have preferred this petition under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking pre-arrest bail.

Inter alia contends that the petitioners were earlier involved into the FIR in question on account of misunderstanding, which has since been resolved and a written compromise dated 11.02.2026 (copy whereof has been appended as Annexure P-3 with the petition in hand) has been entered into between the parties, no effective recovery is to be made from the petitioners, & the petitioners are 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 respondent No.1 – State of Punjab.

At this juncture, Roma Gill, Advocate causes appearance and accepts notice on behalf of respondents No.2 & 3. She ratifies the aspect of matter having been settled between the parties.

Put up on 27.04.2026.

The petitioners are directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 24.03.2026 at 11:00 A.M. in concerned Police Station and join investigation. In the event of arrest, the petitioners shall be released on interim bail subject to their furnishing personal/ surety bond(s) to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/ Investigating Officer. As and when further called by Investigating Officer, the petitioners shall join the investigation. They 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 pursuant to the order dated 19.03.2026, the petitioners have indeed joined investigation and their custody 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 petitioners having joined investigation and their custodial interrogation is not being sought for by the State; the interim order dated 19.03.2026 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 petitioners 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 petitioners violate 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

May 12, 2026
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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No