

2026:PHHC:069078



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

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CRM-M-15715-2026
Date of Decision: 05.05.2026

GURDEEP SINGH @ KATIYA AND ANOTHER

... Petitioners

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY.

Present: Mr. Kartik Gandhi, Advocate for the petitioner.
Ms. Manjot Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J. (ORAL)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking anticipatory bail for the petitioners in FIR No.31 dated 06.02.2026 under Sections 305 and 331(4) of the BNS, 2023 (Sections 380 and 457 of IPC) registered at Police Station City Jagraon, District Ludhiana.

2. On 20.04.2026, this Court had passed the following order:-

“Learned counsel submits that names of the petitioners have been surfaced based on the disclosure statement of co-accused who were juveniles and released on the same day. Even in the supplementary statement also, the petitioners have not been named by the complainant. There is no CCTV footage or any other evidence to connect them with either the alleged incident or the other three co-accused. They are not involved in any other case and ready & willing to join the investigation as and when required by the investigating agency and will cooperate.

Learned State counsel refers to status report dated 05.04.2026 and states that somehow wrong fact has been mentioned that petitioner No.1 was arrested.

Adjourned to 05.05.2026.

Meanwhile, the petitioners are directed to join the investigation on or before 27.04.2026. In the event of their arrest, they shall be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer, subject to compliance of conditions as enshrined under Section 482(2) BNSS.

However, it is clarified that if the petitioners do not join and cooperate with the Investigating Agency as required by the Arresting/Investigating Officer, this interim order shall be deemed to have been vacated”

3. Learned counsel submits that in pursuance of the afore-mentioned order, the petitioners have not only joined investigation but also fully cooperated with the investigating agency. He further submits that in case, the investigating agency requires the petitioners to appear, they shall make themselves available without demur.

4. Learned State counsel on instructions affirms the factum of joining the investigation by the petitioners and cooperating with the investigating agency. He also submits that at this stage, the petitioners are not required for further custodial interrogation.

5. In view of the above and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, anticipatory bail petition filed by the petitioners is allowed and the order dated 20.04.2026 granting interim bail to them, is hereby made absolute, subject to compliance of conditions as specified under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. (now 482(2) of BNSS, 2023)

6. However, it is made clear that if the petitioners fail to join and

cooperate with the investigating agency as and when required, the State would be at liberty to move an application for cancellation of the present anticipatory bail granted to them.

MAY 05, 2026
Rajender

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

: Yes/No

Whether reportable

: Yes/No