



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

CRM-M-16285-2026 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 30.04.2026

SARWAN SINGH

...Petitioner

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL

Present: Mr. Atul Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sukhbeer Singh, DAG Punjab.

SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL J. (Oral)

1. Petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case arising out of FIR No. 87 dated 08.11.2025 under Sections 115(2), 85 Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, Police Station Morinda, Rupnagar. This is the first petition for anticipatory bail.

2. On 25.03.2026, following order was passed:

“1. Petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case vide FIR No.87 dated 08.11.2025, under Sections 115(2) and 85 BNS, Police Station Morinda, Rupnagar. This is the first application for anticipatory bail.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that marriage of petitioner was solemnized with the complainant on 24.01.2020. A female child was born out of the wedlock, who was residing in the care and custody of complainant. The FIR was lodged on usual allegations of demand of dowry and harassment in connection therewith. The allegations were false and the petitioner has been falsely implicated. The complaint regarding the incident of alleged

beatings in 2024, was moved only in July 2025. Petitioner was an army personnel serving in West Bengal. At the time of alleged incident, he was posted at Ambala, where the parties were residing together. No complaint of any kind was moved either to the police or to the army authorities regarding the said incident. Petitioner, who had clean antecedents was ready and willing to join investigation.

3. *Notice of motion.*

4. *Mr. Kunwarbir Singh, AAG Punjab, who is present in the Court accepts notice on behalf of respondent No. 1-State and opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail arguing that after the solemnization of marriage, petitioner started demanding Rs. 6,00,000/- and car. Complainant was beaten up and thrashed. Call was made by her to the police at 112 and she was rescued. A complaint was also made to the army authorities as well. The complainant was also medico legally examined.*

5. *Let status report be filed by the State on 30.04.2026.*

6. *Meanwhile, 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.”*

3. Vide order dated 25.03.2026 passed by this Court, the petitioner was granted interim bail and was directed to join investigation.
4. Learned State counsel on instructions from SI Subhash Chander submits that petitioner has joined investigation. He opposed the prayer for anticipatory bail on the ground that gold articles were not recovered.
5. Petitioner has joined investigation pursuant to order of this Court dated 25.03.2026. Whether the gold articles were indeed entrusted to the petitioner, can be determined only on conclusion of trial. No offence under Section 406 IPC has been invoked in the case. In the facts and circumstances of the case but without commenting on merits, the petition is allowed and order dated dated 25.03.2026, 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

30.04.2026
Ajay Goswami

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