



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH.

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CRM-M-17423-2026 (O&M).
Date of Decision: 13.05.2026.

Vishnu
State of Haryana

VERSUS

....Petitioner.
....Respondent.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: Mr. Divya Gulati, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Pawan Kumar Jhanda, Sr. DAG, Haryana.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438 Cr.P.C.), is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, who has been booked in a criminal case arising out of First Information Report, as detailed hereunder:-

Name of petitioner(s)	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Vishnu	261	05.09.2025	351(3), 351(2), 3(5), 118(1), 115, 109(1) of BNS	Baldev Nagar	Ambala

2. On 02.04.2026, following order was recorded:-

“Petitioner, an accused in case FIR No.261 dated 05.09.2025 registered against him, for commission of offences punishable u/s 351(3), 351(2), 3(5), 118(1), 115(2), 109 BNS at P.S. Baldev Nagar, District Ambala, has prayed for grant of pre-arrest bail.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that petitioner, a young boy aged about 22 years with clean past antecedents, has been falsely implicated in the present case only on the ground that he is brother of

coaccused Alok (who has since been arrested and has been extended the concession of bail by Ld. Additional Sessions Judge, Ambala). Falsity of the case set up against petitioner is further apparent from the fact that his name cropped up in the disclosure statement of co-accused Kuldeep Singh @ Deepa, that too after 05 months of the incident. That apart, even in the disclosure statement no specific role has been assigned to the present petitioner. Thus, in crux the submission of learned counsel is that petitioner was not present at the site and has been unnecessarily dragged in. Continuing further, learned counsel contends that custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not needed for nothing is to be recovered from him but he is willing to join the investigation as and when called for by the IO.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Shweta Nahata, DAG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State and seeks time to file detailed status report.

Adjourned to 13.05.2026.

In the meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation as and when required to do so by the Investigating Agency. In the event of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on ad-interim bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer. The petitioner shall also abide by all the conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).”

3. Continuing the submissions, learned counsel for the petitioner contends that in compliance of the order dated 02.04.2026, passed by this Court, petitioner has joined the investigation, and has fully co-operated. Therefore, learned counsel prays for confirmation of the said interim anticipatory bail order.

4. Learned State counsel on instructions, confirms the said averment made by counsel for the petitioner of joining the investigation by the petitioner, and submits that as of now, custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required for the purpose of investigation.

5. Heard learned counsel for the parties.

6. Since, petitioner has already joined the investigation and custodial interrogation is no more required; ad-interim bail order dated

02.04.2026, passed by this Court is hereby made absolute. Accordingly, present petition is allowed.

However, petitioner shall continue to join the investigation as and when required to do so and abide by all the terms and conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

7. Besides, it is directed that petitioner would hand over his passport to the Investigating Agency or to Court concerned, if he possesses. Otherwise, would submit an affidavit, disclosing the fact that he does not possess any passport.

8. Accordingly, petition stands disposed of.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

13.05.2026
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Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes/ No
Whether Reportable : Yes/ No