

**In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana, at Chandigarh****Criminal Misc. No. M-20424 of 2026****Date of Decision: 29.04.2026**

Neeraj Chahal

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Surya Partap Singh.

Present: Ms. Harleen Kaur, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Eklavya Darshi, Deputy Advocate General,
Punjab, for the respondent.

Surya Partap Singh, J.

1. This petition for anticipatory bail is the first petition filed by the petitioner under Section 482 of 'the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023'. It has been filed with regard to a case arising out of FIR No. 114 dated 14.10.2025, for the commission of offence punishable under Section(s) 109, 118(1), 191(3) and 190 [Section 249 added later on] of 'the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023' and Section 25 of 'the Arms Act, 1959' Police Station Sadar Phagwara, District Kapurthala, Punjab.

2. Vide order dated 15.04.2026, the petitioner was admitted to interim anticipatory bail, subject to the condition of furnishing bonds to the satisfaction of arresting officer. It was also directed that the petitioner shall join the investigation.

3. Heard.

4. It has been submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that in compliance with order dated 15.04.2026, the petitioner has already joined the investigation, and that nothing has been left to be recovered from the possession of petitioner. In view of above, the learned counsel for the petitioner has requested that the order dated 15.04.2026 be made absolute.

5. The learned State counsel, on instructions from ‘ASI Binder Kumar’, has submitted that the petitioner has joined investigation, and that for further investigation of this case his custodial interrogation is not required.

6. The record has been perused carefully.

7. Keeping in view the aforesaid submissions and the fact that the petitioner has already joined the investigation, it is hereby ordered that the petitioner is entitled for anticipatory bail. Hence, the present petition is hereby **allowed** and the order dated 15.04.2026, whereby the petitioner was accorded the benefit of interim anticipatory bail, is hereby made absolute.

(Surya Partap Singh)
Judge

April 29, 2026
“DK”

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No