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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-20456-2026

Date of Decision : 18.05.2026

MONU

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: Mr. Kushager Goyal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Pawan Kumar Jhanda, Sr. DAG, Haryana.

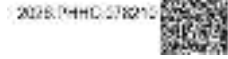
SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (ORAL)

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
Monu, aged about 25 years	51	13.03.2026	21(b) of NDPS Act	Nathusari Chopra	Sirsa

2. On 17.04.2026, the following order was passed:-

2. *Learned counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, contends that on 13.03.2026, main accused, namely Anil Kumar and Surender, were apprehended, and from their possession, 10 grams and 24 milligrams of heroin was allegedly recovered.*



It is further submitted that name of the petitioner does not find mention in the FIR and he has been implicated in the present case solely on the basis of disclosure statements made by the co-accused Anil Kumar and Surender, wherein it has been alleged that the recovered contraband was purchased from the petitioner.

3. *Counsel for the petitioner argues that apart from the said disclosure statements, which are themselves inadmissible in the eyes of law, there is no other incriminating material available on record against the petitioner. It is contended that petitioner, being previously involved in other cases and known to the police officials, has been falsely implicated in the present case without any substantive evidence.*

It is further submitted that petitioner is ready and willing to join the investigation and to fully cooperate with the investigating agency, if he is granted protection from arrest by this Court. Thus, counsel prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the present case.

4. *Notice of motion.*

5. *On advance notice, Mr. Parveen Kumar Aggarwal, Addl. AG, Haryana, puts in appearance on behalf of the respondent - State, and seeks some time to file status report in the matter.*

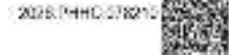
6. *Adjourned to 18.05.2026.*

7. *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.).*

8. *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.*

It is also directed that before leaving country any time during trial, petitioner would seek prior permission of the Court."

3. Continuing his submissions, learned counsel for the petitioner contends that in compliance of the order dated 17.04.2026 passed by this Court, petitioner has joined the investigation, and has fully co-operated. Therefore, he 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 on 12.05.2026 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 17.04.2026 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. Accordingly, petition stands disposed of.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

May 18, 2026

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Whether speaking/ reasoned : *Yes/No*
Whether reportable : *Yes/No*