



CRM-M-23059-2025

1

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

112-2

CRM-M-23059-2025
Decided on: 23.03.2026

Kanwaljit Singh alias GoggiPetitioner

Versus

State of PunjabRespondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: Mr. Armaan Gagneja, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr, DAG, Punjab.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J.

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 & age of Petitioner (s)	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Kanwaljit Singh	030	24.02.2025	115(2),118(1), 191(3), 190 of BNS and Sections 25/27/54/59 of Arms Act (Offence under Section 125 of BNS was added later on vide GD No.17 dated 16.03.2025 and offence under Section 118(2) of BNS was added vide GD No.21 dated 22.04.2025	City Muktsar	Sri Muktsar Sahib

2. After hearing learned counsel for the petitioner on 20.05.2025 following was recorded:



1. *In the present case, there are total six accused and one injured, who has suffered nine injuries, and out of which injury no.8 has been inflicted with sharp edged weapon. Besides, as per x-ray report, there are 4 fractures on the person of complainant. However, none of the accused has been arrested till date, whereas, FIR in question was lodged on 24.02.2025.*

2. *Similar situation is being noticed in several other cases also by this Court, and in one such case, i.e., CRM-M-19592-2025 (listed today before this Court at Sr. No.105+223), there were total of 9 fractures on the injured person, and out of the total 11 accused, only three were arrested so far. This kind of conduct shows that the police officials in the State of Punjab are busy elsewhere, instead of examining the grievances/victimisation of the needy people/victims, who have been brutally beaten up by groups of accused persons.*

3. *Let the present petition be listed against on 09.07.2025 for further consideration.*

4. *This Court is more concerned with the issue that once the accused persons are not arrested by the police itself, despite having been named in specific, along with particular roles of causing injuries, no point is left in raising objections by the learned State counsel, during hearing of the anticipatory bail petition of the other accused.*

Besides, a copy of this order be forwarded to the Director General of Police, Punjab, and the present order be treated as a notice for future proceedings. It is also observed that after examining the concern of Court, required steps are not taken, this Court would be compelled to call for the Director General of Police, Punjab, for clarification and issuance of necessary directions.”

2. Thereupon on 09.07.2025 following was recorded:

“1. xxx

2. *Counsel for the petitioner inter alia submits that petitioner has been attributed the role of causing injury on the left elbow of the injured With a stick, which is declared as simple in nature.*



Further submits that co-accused namely Naseeb Singh has already been granted interim anticipatory bail by this Court, vide order dated 25.06.2025 passed in CRM-M-32899-2025, despite the allegation against him of having fired a shot in the air. Moreover, counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is ready to join investigation and to fully cooperate, if protected from arrest by this Court. Thus, prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the present case.

3. *Notice of motion.*

4. *On advance notice, Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr. DAG, Punjab, puts an appearance on behalf of the respondent/State, and seeks some time to file status report in the matter.*

5. *List again on 26.08.2025.*

To be heard along with CRM-M-32899-2025.

6. *Considering the role attributed to the petitioner, and the fact that the co-accused namely Naseeb Singh, who though, was allegedly present on spot, and was not attributed any injury, has been granted interim anticipatory bail, some parameters are applied here in the present case, also. Therefore, 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 be abide by all the conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).*

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.*

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 submits that in compliance with the order dated 09.07.2025

**CRM-M-23059-2025****4**

passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined the investigation and has extended full cooperation. He, therefore, prays for confirmation of the interim anticipatory bail order.

4. Learned State counsel has filed status report by way of affidavit of Naveen Kumar, PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police (Sub Division) Sri Muktsar Sahib, in Court today. Same is taken on record. Registry is directed to tag the same at appropriate place with the paper-book.

On instructions learned State counsel submits that, in pursuance of the directions issued by this Court, petitioner joined the investigation, and upon completion of the investigation, the challan has been submitted before the concerned court. As of now, his custodial interrogation is not required.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the paper-book.

6. Since, petitioner has already joined the investigation and custodial interrogation is no more required at this stage; ad-interim bail order dated 09.07.2025, passed by this Court is hereby made absolute. Accordingly, present petition is allowed.

It is made clear that 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. However, it is clarified that in case the passport or an affidavit regarding non-possession of a passport, if he does not possess



CRM-M-23059-2025

5

one, is not submitted to the Investigating Agency or the Court concerned within a period of two weeks from today, the present order shall be deemed to be inoperative and the Investigating Officer shall be at liberty to proceed with the arrest of the petitioner.

8. Accordingly, petition stands disposed of.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

23.03.2026

Rashmi

Whether Speaking/Reasoned: **YES/NO**

Whether Reportable: **YES/NO**