

209 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

2026-PHHC 074/04



CRM-M-24443-2026 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 12.05.2026

AANIL SINGH

... PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

... RESPONDENT

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S.GREWAL

Present:- Ms. Neha Shukla, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, D.A.G., Punjab.

H.S. GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (erstwhile Section 438 Cr.P.C.) in FIR No. 612 dated 25.12.2025, registered under Sections 316(2), 318(4), 336(2), 336(3), 338, 340(2) and 61(2) of BNS, 2023 at Police Station Zirakpur, District S.A.S. Nagar, Punjab.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the complainant had mortgaged his Fortuner vehicle with co-accused Shiv Kumar for raising a loan amount. It is alleged that thereafter, in connivance with the present petitioner and other co-accused, the said vehicle was dishonestly sold to a third party. The petitioner is specifically alleged to have facilitated the preparation of forged and fabricated documents and to have got the vehicle fraudulently registered at Bilaspur, Himachal Pradesh, and thereafter transferred the same further, thereby causing wrongful loss to the complainant and corresponding gain to the accused persons.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner

has been falsely implicated in the present case. It is contended that the entire transaction was between the complainant and the co-accused Shiv Kumar, to whom the vehicle had been handed over by the complainant himself. It is further submitted that no direct role is attributed to the petitioner except a vague allegation of being an associate.

4. Mr. Abnash Singh, Advocate has filed power of attorney on behalf of the complainant. The same is taken on record.

5. Learned State counsel as well as learned counsel for the complainant have opposed the prayer for grant of bail to the petitioner on the ground of gravity of allegations. Learned State counsel has filed status report by way of affidavit of Ghazalpreet Kaur, IPS, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Zirakpur, District SAS Nagar Mohali in the Court today and the same is taken on record.

6. I have heard the learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.

7. From the perusal of the status report, it is evident that the petitioner is specifically named and attributed an active role in the preparation of forged documents, fraudulent registration and subsequent transfer of the vehicle. The nature of allegations reflects a well-planned conspiracy involving cheating and forgery. Keeping in view the entire facts and circumstances of the case, nature and gravity of allegations, the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is necessary for thorough and effective investigation of the case. Therefore, considering the seriousness and gravity of the allegations, no exceptional or extraordinary grounds are made out for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

8. Accordingly, the present petition is dismissed.

9. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

12.05.2026

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No

(H.S.GREWAL)
JUDGE