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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

**CRM-M-24307-2026
DECIDED ON: 01.05.2026**

HARPREET SINGH ALIAS HAPPY**.....PETITIONER**

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB**.....RESPONDENT****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH.**

Present: Mr. Prince Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J (ORAL)

1. Present petition has been filed by the petitioner, seeking grant of anticipatory bail, in case, FIR No.194, dated 24.08.2025, under Sections 126(2)/115(2)/118(1)/351(1)/351(3)/191(3)/190 of BNS (corresponding to Sections 341/323/324/503/506/148/149 of IPC), registered at Police Station City Tarn Taran, District Tarn Taran.

2. Complainant-Anita, lodged an FIR stating that while she was returning home along with her husband-Mukander Singh, on a motorcycle at about 9:00 a.m., they were intercepted by a group of accused persons, who were identified as:- (1) Rohit, armed with a daatar/sickle; (2) Bobby, armed with a daatar/sickle; (3) Ajay, armed with a sword; (4) Rinka, armed with a daatar/sickle; (5) Harpreet Singh @ Happy (petitioner herein), armed with a daatar/sickle; (6) Sunny, armed



with a daatar/sickle; (7) Bobby, son of Dhira, armed with a baseball bat; (8) Neelam, empty-handed; (9) Parveen, empty-handed; (10) Guri, armed with a bat; (11) Kali, armed with a sword; and (12) Kiran, empty-handed.

It is alleged that accused Neelam, Parveen, and Kiran raised a *lalkara* exhorting the others by saying, “*Catch them and do not allow them to go today.*” Acting upon this, accused persons began assaulting Mukander Singh, husband of the complainant, with their respective weapons. The specific details of the injuries and the assault are as follows:-

1.	Rohit son of Tony	Direct blow of sickle on the head.
2.	Bobby son of Tony	Direct blow of sickle on the head.
3.	Ajay	Sword blow on nose.
4.	Rinku	Sickle blow on right arm.
5.	Harpreet Singh @ Happy (petitioner herein)	Sickle blow on left arm.
6.	Bobby son of Dhira	Hit on the waist, four times, with Baseball Bat
7.	Guri	Hit on head, 2/3 times, with Bat
8.	Kali	Two Sword blows, on the face

Upon assault, Mukander Singh fell to the ground, became unconscious, and started bleeding profusely. On learning about the incident, Jinder Kaur (sister-in-law of complainant Anita) and Gurmeet Kaur reached the spot and attempted to rescue him. At that moment, another co-accused, Vishal, struck Gurmeet Kaur on her head with an iron rod, causing her serious injury. Seeing people gathering at the scene, all the accused fled from the spot along with their respective weapons, while issuing threats to kill the complainant and injured persons. Thereafter, complainant Anita, along with her sister-in-law Jinder Kaur,



placed the injured Mukander Singh and Gurmeet Kaur in a car and took them to the Civil Hospital, Tarn Taran, where they were admitted in injured condition. Owing to the severity of their injuries, the attending doctor referred both the injured persons to Guru Nanak Dev Hospital, Amritsar, for further treatment.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that, as per the allegations, petitioner-Harpreet Singh @ Happy, who was armed with a sickle (*dattar*), inflicted a blow on the left arm of the injured-Mukander Singh (husband of the complainant), which has been opined to be simple in nature. However, injury attributed to the co-accused-Ajay, who allegedly inflicted a sword blow on the nose of the injured, has been declared grievous.

Learned counsel further submits that, in connection with the same incident, a cross-case has also been registered against the complainant party, vide GD No.30 dated 26.08.2025, under Sections 333/115(2)/324(4)(5)/191(3)/190 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, at Police Station City, Tarn Taran, District Tarn Taran (Annexure P-3).

Therefore, it remains to be determined by the trial Court as to which party was the aggressor in the occurrence. Lastly, it is submitted that co-accused, Praveen @ Parveen, Rohit Kumar, and Vishal, have already been granted the concession of anticipatory bail, vide orders dated 23.03.2026 (passed in CRM-M-60257-2025) (Annexure P-6), 06.04.2026 (passed in CRM-M-62592-2025) (Annexure P-7), and 23.03.2026 (passed in CRM-M-62638-2025) (Annexure P-8),



respectively. Thus, counsel prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the present case.

4. Notice of motion.

5. On advance notice, Mr. Neeraj Madaan, learned Senior DAG, Punjab, appears on behalf of the respondent–State and produces MLR report dated 26.08.2025, and submits that injury No.5, attributed to the petitioner, i.e., a blow on the left arm of the injured, has been declared simple in nature.

6. This Court has heard the submissions addressed by counsel for the parties and has also gone through the record available before it, and finds it appropriate to grant the concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the present case.

7. **Accordingly, present petition stands disposed of**, with a direction to the petitioner to join the investigation within two weeks from today or as and when called by the investigating officer, and in the eventuality of the arrest, petitioner would be released on 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.).

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.



9. With the directions recorded here above, present petition stands disposed of.

01.05.2026
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(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>