



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

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**CRM-M-25919-2026
Date of Decision: 27.05.2026**

ANKIT

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA AND ANOTHER

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE KIRTI SINGH

Present: Mr. Chetan Juneja, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Saumya Ahluwalia, Sr. DAG, Haryana.

Mr. Rahul Panghal, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

KIRTI SINGH, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer in the present petition filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS')/438 Cr.P.C., is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, in case FIR No.157 dated 18.04.2026, under Sections 376(2)(n), 354-C, 328, 384, 323, 506 and 34 IPC (Sections 64(2)(m), 77, 123, 308, 115(2), 351 read with Section 3(5) of BNS), registered at Police Station Tosham, District Bhiwani.

2. Vide order dated 18.05.2026 the petitioner was directed to join the investigation. The said order is reproduced hereinafter:-

“This Court while issuing notice of motion on 07.05.2026 had passed the following order:

“Apprehending arrest the petitioner has filed this petition under Section 482 of BNSS for grant of anticipatory bail in case bearing FIR No.157 dated 18.04.2026, under Sections 376(2)(n), 354-C, 328, 384, 323, 506 and 34 of IPC, registered at Police Station Tosham, District Bhiwani.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present FIR on the statement of the complainant, a mature and in fact married woman with 2 children, who had been in a long standing consensual relationship with the petitioner.



It is submitted that when the ties between the two became strained, the present FIR was got lodged by levelling sweeping and baseless allegations, that too after a delay of about 6 years from the alleged first incident. Be that as it may, the parties have now mutually resolved their disputes, regarding which the complainant has tendered an affidavit, annexed at Annexure P-2 with the petition.

Notice of motion.

At the asking of the Court, Ms. Saumya Ahluwalia, Sr. DAG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State and prays for time to file response.

Mr. Rahul Kundu and Mr. Raman Chawla, Advocates put in appearance on behalf of respondent No.2 and undertakes to file their power of attorney, in the Registry of this Court within a week hereafter.

Adjourned to 18.05.2026.

In the meantime, no coercive steps be taken qua the petitioner. ”

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is ready and willing to join investigation and cooperate.

Mr. Rahul Panghal, Advocate has put in appearance on behalf of respondent No.2 and has filed his power of attorney, which is taken on record.

Reply by way of affidavit of Deputy Superintendent of Police, Tosham, District Bhiwani, has been filed on behalf of the State, which is taken on record. Copy thereof has been supplied to the learned counsel for the parties, who pray for time to go through the same and address arguments.

Adjourned to 27.05.2026.

In the meantime, the petitioner shall join investigation before the Investigating Agency/ Officer. He shall abide by the following conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) BNSS, 2023:-

(1) That the petitioner shall make himself available for interrogation by a police officer as and when required to do so.

(2) That the petitioner shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts to the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to Court or to any police officer.

(3) That the petitioner shall not leave India without prior permission of the Court.

Needless to mention that the investigating agency/officer shall continue with the investigation of the case in usual manner.

Interim order to continue.”

3. Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Rakesh, submits that in compliance of order dated 18.05.2026, the petitioner has joined the investigation on 25.05.2026 and is not required for any further investigation.

4. Having considered the aforesaid facts and circumstances, the petition is allowed. Order dated 18.05.2026 passed by this Court, is hereby



made absolute, subject to the condition enumerated under Section 482(2) BNSS.

5. This order should not be treated as "blanket" order. It will not be read as granting the petitioner(s) indefinite protection from arrest. It shall be confined to the FIR mentioned *ibid* and will not operate in respect of any other incident that involves commission of an offence.

6. Liberty is reserved with the investigating agency/complainant to move to this Court for a direction under Section 483(3) of BNSS, 2023 (erstwhile Section 439(2) of Cr.P.C.), in the event of violation of any term, stipulated under Section 482(2) BNSS, or upon showing any other sufficient cause.

7. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, also stands disposed of.

(KIRTI SINGH)
JUDGE

May 27, 2026

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