



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH.

142 CRM-M-29851-2026 (O&M).
Date of Decision: 22.05.2026.

PravezPetitioner.
VERSUS
State of PunjabRespondent.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: Mr. Sumit Dua, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Vinay Malhotra, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (Oral)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438 Cr.P.C.), 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	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Pravez (29 years)	180	22.09.2025	22 of NDPS Act (29 of NDPS Act added later on)	Division No.1	Jalandhar

2. Case of the prosecution is that on 22.09.2025, one Swift car bearing registration No.PB-08-FD-2993, being driven by accused Nitin Sharma, was intercepted and, upon search of the vehicle, 87,000 intoxicant tablets of Tramadol were recovered therefrom. Upon his arrest, accused Nitin Sharma disclosed the names of co-accused Ajay and Amit, pursuant to which

further recovery of 1,12,000 intoxicant tablets of Tramadol was effected from accused Ajay and 24,000 intoxicant tablets of Tramadol was effected from accused Amit. Thereafter, on the basis of a second disclosure statement allegedly suffered by accused Nitin Sharma, co-accused Javed Malik alias Javed Ali and Pravez (present petitioner), were nominated in the present case.

3. Though it is a case where huge quantity of *Tramadol* tablets/capsules was recovered by the Investigating Officer, there should not be any Court order discouraging the efforts made by the Investigating Officer in such like cases. Though co-accused Javed Malik alias Javed Ali, who was named along with the petitioner by accused-Nitin Sharma in his disclosure statement, has been granted regular bail by this Court, vide order dated 18.04.2026 (Annexure P-4), but anticipatory bail petition (CRM-M-59892-2025) filed by him was disposed of having been rendered infructuous, vide order dated 18.03.2026 (Annexure P-3), on account of the fact that such accused (Javed Malik alias Javed Ali) had been arrested by the time of hearing.

4. For the reason assigned hereinabove, no ground is made out to extend the concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, rather the Court is of the firm opinion that such accused are required to be thoroughly interrogated immediately.

5. **Petition stands dismissed.**

Pending application(s), if any, also stand disposed of accordingly.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

22.05.2026

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Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/ No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/ No