

2026:PHHC:084189



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

CRM-M-30629-2026

Date of decision :27.05.2026

JYOTI BHATIA

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present: Mr. Abhisar Chaudhary, Advocate with
Ms. Geetanjali Bhatia, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Harkanwar Jeet Singh, Asstt. A.G., Punjab.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J. (ORAL)

The prayer in the present petition under Section 528 of the BNSS, 2023 is for issuance of appropriate directions to the respondent authorities to act in accordance with law and to take necessary coercive steps including the arrest of the accused in case FIR No.29 dated 15.04.2026 registered under Sections 115(2), 117(2), 190, 191(2) of BNS, 2023 at Police Station Shahpurkandi, District Pathankot.

The learned counsel for the petitioner contends that despite the registration of the aforementioned FIR and the invocation of Section 62, 64, 304 and 351(3) of BNS, 2023, no coercive steps have been taken against the accused persons named in the FIR. Therefore, directions be issued to the respondents to arrest the accused.

Heard.

Admittedly, the FIR was registered initially under Sections 115(2), 117(2), 190, 191(2) of BNS, 2023. It is only now that Sections

62, 64, 304 and 351(3) of BNS, 2023 have been invoked. Be that as it may, this Court cannot pass directions to the respondents to arrest any accused which is the domain of the Investigating Agency.

In view of the above, I find no merit in the present petition. Therefore, the same stands dismissed.

Needless to say, the Investigating Agency shall proceed in accordance with law.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

27.05.2026
JITESH

Whether speaking/reasoned:- Yes/No

Whether reportable:- Yes/No