

2026:PHHC:036000



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-46213-2025 (O & M)

Date of decision: 10.03.2026

NAVEEN TANDON

....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : Mr. B.S.Bhalla, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ms. Gagandeep Kaur, DAG, Punjab.

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J. (ORAL)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 482 BNSS, for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.125 dated 30.07.2025 registered under Sections 22 of NDPS Act (Section 29 of NDPS added later on) at Police Station Kamboj, District Amritsar Rural.
2. Short reply by way of affidavit of the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Attari, Amritsar, filed in the Court, is taken on record.
3. On 27.08.2025, this Court had passed the following order:-

“By virtue of the present petition under Section 482 BNSS, petitioner, accused in case bearing FIR No.125 dated 30.07.2025 registered under Sections 22 of NDPS Act (Section 29 of NDPS added later on) at Police Station Kamboj, District Amritsar Rural, has prayed for grant of pre-arrest bail.

Learned counsel submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case as his name was nominated on the disclosure statement of co-accused Amritpal Singh, who was arrested at the site,

keeping in his illegal possession 1490 intoxicant tablets. Learned counsel submits that the said disclosure statement is not admissible in evidence. Moreso, no recovery has been effected from the petitioner. Continuing further, learned counsel submits that no other case is registered against the petitioner, who is willing to join the investigation as and when called for by the IO.

Learned State counsel has opposed the request for grant of bail application on the ground that status report is not ready and in the absence of FSL report, it cannot be ascertained as to what were the contents of 1490 intoxicant tablets. Learned State counsel further submits that in view of huge quantity of contraband involved and the statement of the co-accused Amritpal Singh, no leniency deserves to be extended to the present petitioner.

Heard.

Documents on record perused.

In view of the submission advanced by learned counsel for the petitioner, who has specifically stated in the Court and has mentioned so in para 9 of the petition that petitioner is not involved in any other case, but without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the petitioner is hereby directed to join investigation within seven days from today and co-operate in the same. In the event of the arrest of the petitioner, he shall be released on interim bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. He shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) BNSS.

Adjourned to 29.09.2025.

Status report by the State be filed well before the next date of hearing with advance copy to opposite counsel.”

4. Learned counsel submits that in pursuance of the aforementioned order, the petitioner has not only joined investigation but also fully cooperated with the investigating agency. He further submits that in case the investigating agency requires the petitioner to appear, he shall make himself available without demur.

5. Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Joginder Singh affirms the factum of joining the investigation by the petitioner and

cooperating with the investigating agency. He also submits that at this stage, the petitioner is not required for further custodial interrogation.

6. In view of the above and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, anticipatory bail petition filed by the petitioner is allowed and the order dated 27.08.2025 granting interim bail to him, is hereby made absolute, subject to compliance of conditions as specified under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

7. However, it is made clear that if the petitioner fails to join and cooperate with the investigating agency as and when required, the State would be at liberty to move an application for cancellation of the present anticipatory bail granted to him.

10.03.2026

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(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No