



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

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CRM-M-56857-2025 (O&M)

Date of decision: 16.03.2026

Deepak Bhatia

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : Mr. Manjot Gujral, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr. Manipal Singh Atwal, DAG Punjab

Mr. Surinder Singh, Advocate for the complainant

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.0277 dated 03.09.2025, registered under Sections 305, 331(3) BNS, at Police Station Kharar, District SAS Nagar.

2. On 24.02.2026, this Court had passed the following order:-

“CRM-7641-2026

In view of the grounds mentioned in the application, the same is allowed and the main case is preponed to today itself and taken on Board for hearing.

Main Case:

Learned counsel contends that there is a delay of 2 days in Jodging the FIR. The petitioner, who has 3-year-old child, has been falsely implicated in the present case on account of dispute between him as well as his wife and his mother, with regard to jewellery in question, however, no theft, as a matter of fact, has taken place. He is ready and willing to join the investigation as and when required by the investigating agency and will cooperate.

Adjourned to 11.03.2026.

Meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the

investigation on or before 28.02.2026. In the event of his arrest, he shall be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer, subject to compliance of conditions as enshrined under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

However, it is clarified that if the petitioner does not join and cooperate with the Investigating Agency as required by the Arresting/Investigating Officer, this interim order shall be deemed to have been vacated.”

3. Learned counsel submits that in pursuance of the afore-mentioned 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. He states that the petitioner, who is present in Court, undertakes not to interfere in the life of the complainant and her husband, who are his parents.
4. Learned State counsel on instructions 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.
5. 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 24.02.2026 granting interim bail to him, is hereby made absolute, subject to compliance of conditions as specified under Section 482(2) BNSS.
6. 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.

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

16.03.2026
M.Kamra

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