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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-58140-2025

Date of decision: 15th January, 2026

Baljit Kumar @ Dhola

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present: Mr. Sarju Puri, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Sakshi Bakshi, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

MANISHA BATRA, J (ORAL):-

The present petition has been filed by the petitioner for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.96 dated 04.08.2025, registered under Sections 115(2), 118(1) and 3(5) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (Sections 118(2) of BNS added subsequently vide DDR No. 7 dated 24.08.2025), at Police Station Chhabewal, District Hoshiarpur.

2. Vide order dated 17.11.2025 passed by this Court, the petitioner was granted interim bail and was directed to join investigation.

3. Learned State counsel, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, has submitted that the petitioner has joined investigation on 03.12.2025 and he is not required for custodial interrogation.

4. Taking into consideration the above discussed facts and given the

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nature of the allegations as well as submission so made, this Court is of the considered opinion that pre trial incarceration of the petitioner is not required. Accordingly, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 17.11.2025, granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute, subject to the conditions laid down in Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023 (analogous to Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure).

[MANISHA BATRA]
JUDGE

15th January, 2026
Parveen Sharma

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| 1. Whether speaking/ reasoned | : | Yes / No |
| 2. Whether reportable | : | Yes / No |