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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Decided on: 15.01.2026

Gurpal

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: None for the petitioner.
Mr. Vinay Malhotra, DAG Punjab

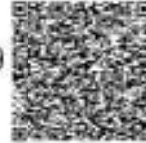
SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438 Cr.P.C.), is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, who has been booked in a criminal case arising out of FIR No.88 dated 22.08.2025, under Sections 118(2), 3(5), 191(3) and 190 of BNS at PS Meharban, District Ludhiana.

2. On 15.10.2025, following order was passed:
“(i) Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438 Cr.P.C.), is 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 of Petitioner(s)	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Gurpal Singh, age about 44 years	88	22.08.2025	118(2), 3(5), 191(3) and 190 of BNS	Meharban	Ludhiana

(ii) Learned counsel for the petitioner inter alia contends, that allegations



levelled against the petitioner are false and arise out of a matrimonial dispute between the complainant, Paramjeet Singh, and his wife, Manjeet Kaur. Petitioner is brother-in-law (sala) of the complainant and has been falsely implicated in the matter.

(iii) Further submits that though, complainant has sustained a grievous injury to his arm, but the said injury is attributed to the co accused, Satpal. Allegation against the petitioner is that he attempted to strike the complainant on the head with a kirpan; however, since complainant had fallen, the kirpan struck the shop counter instead of any body part of the complainant. Furthermore, petitioner expresses willingness to join the investigation and cooperate fully, provided he is granted protection from arrest by this Court. Accordingly, counsel prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the present case.

(iv) Notice of motion.

(v) On advance notice, Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr. DAG, Punjab, puts in appearance on behalf of the respondent – State, and seeks some time to file status report in the matter.

(vi) Adjourned to 15.01.2026.

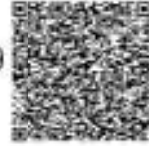
(vii) Meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation as and when required to do so by the Investigating Agency. In the event of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on ad-interim bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer. The petitioner shall also be abide by all the conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).

(viii) Besides, it is directed that petitioner would hand over his passport to the Investigating Agency or to Court concerned, if he possesses. Otherwise, would submit an affidavit, disclosing the fact that he does not possess any passport.

It is also directed that before leaving country any time during trial, petitioner would seek prior permission of the Court. ”

3. Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Gurmeet Singh, contends that in compliance to the order dated 15.10.2025 passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined the investigation on 04.12.2025, and as of now, custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required for the purpose of investigation.

4. Since, petitioner has already joined the investigation and custodial interrogation is no more required; ad-interim bail order dated 15.10.2025 passed

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by this Court is hereby made absolute. Accordingly, present petition is allowed.

5. The petitioner shall continue to join the investigation as and when required to do so and abide by all the terms and conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

6. However, present order would be subject to the submission of his passport to the Investigating Agency or to Court concerned, if he possesses, within a period of one week from today. Otherwise, he would submit an affidavit, disclosing the fact that he does not possess any passport.

7. It is clarified that in case, aforesaid condition is not complied with, this order would be considered as *non est* automatically.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

15.01.2026

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Whether Speaking/Reasoned:
Whether Reportable:

YES/NO
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