

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-58786-2025(O&M)
DATE OF DECISION : 5th March, 2026

Ishwar Singh

Versus

.... Petitioner

State of Haryana

.... Respondent

CORAM : HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

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Present : Mr.Manoj Kumar Taya, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr.Kanwar Sanjiv Kumar, AAG, Haryana.

Mr.Jaswinder Singh Rana, Advocate for the complainant.

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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 First Information Report, as detailed hereunder:-

Name of Petitioner (s)	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Ishwar Singh	365	11.10.2024	420, 467, 468 & 471 IPC	Butana	Karnal

2. On 16.10.2025, following order was passed:-

“2. Learned counsel for the petitioner inter alia, contends, that petitioner, being Numberdar, has merely signed the relinquishment deed as an identifier of its executor, who, as per the allegations, was deceased at the relevant time. It is submitted that the dispute primarily arises



among family members, and petitioner's role is limited to identifying the executor under a bona fide belief, as both parties are related to each other.

3. *Further submits that arrest of the co-accused namely Jai Singh has already been stayed, vide order dated 24.09.2025 passed in CRM-M-54284-2025 (Annexure P-7), and the said matter is now listed for 13.11.2025. It is also submitted that petitioner is ready and willing to join the investigation and cooperate fully, provided he is granted protection from arrest by this Court. Thus, counsel prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the present case.*

4. *Notice of motion.*

5. *On advance notice, Mr. Kanwar Sanjiv Kumar, AAG, Haryana, puts in appearance on behalf of the respondent - State, and seeks some time to file status report in the matter.*

6. *Adjourned to 13.11.2025.*

To be heard along with CRM-M-54284-2025.

7. *Learned State counsel is directed to file a status report addressing the contentions raised by the petitioner and providing a response to the allegations, supported by evidence.*

8. *Meanwhile, petitioner shall not be arrested. However, issue of joining of investigation by the petitioner would be examined on the next date of hearing, after reviewing the status report, which is yet to be filed by learned State counsel."*

3. Continuing the submissions, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that apart from the dispute being of civil nature, there is another development in the case that all the accused in the case and the complainant party have entered into a compromise and have resolved



their all disputes. Resultantly, one quashing petition i.e. CRM-M-65215-2025 has been instituted and after issuance of directions dated 19.11.2025, statements of the parties to support the contention of compromise, have already been recorded before the Court below.

4. On the other hand, learned Assistant Advocate General and the learned counsel representing the complainant Mr. Jaswinder Singh Rana also support the contention of the petitioner and also that the statements regarding the compromise being genuine have already been recorded before the Trial Court.

5. In view of the fact that a compromise has already been effected between the parties and the statements in this regard have also been recorded before the Trial Court, there is no justification for custodial interrogation of the petitioner.

6. Hence, petition is allowed. The petitioner is directed to join the investigation within two weeks from today or as and when required to do so by the Investigating Agency. In the event of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer. The petitioner shall also abide by all the conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).

7. 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.

March 05, 2026

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**(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE**

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned:</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable:</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>