



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH
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CRM-M-59537-2025
Decided on : 24.03.2026

Sandeep Singh . . . Petitioner(s)
Versus
State of Punjab . . . Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

PRESENT: Mr. Ajay Pal Singh Sandhu, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr. 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 First Information Report, as detailed here-under:-

Name & age of Petitioner (s)	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Sandeep Singh, aged 21 years	68	18.06.2025	21 of NDPS Act, 1985 (S. 29 of NDPS Act, added later on)	Ghall Khurd	Feorzepur, Punjab

2. In the present case, on 27.10.2025, following order was passed by this Court:-

“2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, contends that there is recovery of 150 gms of heroin which was effected from the polythene bag thrown by accused Lovepreet Singh while he and his co-accused Nishan Singh were riding over a motorcycle bearing registration No. PB-61-A-9126 on 18.06.2025. Further argues that while recording of disclosure statement of co-accused Nishan Singh on 19.06.2025 from whom, as per FIR, no recovery was even effected and name of petitioner was involved alongwith another co-accused Rahul Singh thus, Section 29 of NDPS Act was also attracted. Counsel further argues that except of disclosure statement of co-accused Nishan Singh, no other substantial evidence is collected during investigation. As per settled law, on the solitary basis of disclosure statement, guilt can not be said to be proved,



chances of such proving of the guilt are very bleak. However, since petitioner's name was not there in the FIR and the petitioner is ready to join investigation. Thus, prays for grant of concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the present case.

4. *Notice of motion.*

5. *On advance notice, learned State counsel puts in appearance on behalf of the respondent – State, and seeks some time to respond to the submissions addressed by learned counsel opposite, after seeking instructions. And, in case of necessity, to file status report.*

6. *Adjourned to 20.01.2026.*

7. *In the 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.).*

8. *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. Continuing his submissions, learned counsel for the petitioner contends that in compliance of the order dated 27.10.2025, passed by this Court, petitioner has joined the investigation, and has fully co-operated. Therefore, he prays for confirmation of the said interim anticipatory bail order.

4. Learned State counsel on instructions, confirms the said averment made by counsel for the petitioner of joining the investigation on 01.11.2025 by the petitioner, and submits that as of now, custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required for the purpose of investigation.

5. Heard learned counsel for the parties.

6. Since, petitioner has already joined the investigation and custodial interrogation is no more required; ad-interim bail order dated 27.10.2025, passed by this Court is hereby made **absolute**.

However, 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.

7. Accordingly, petition stands **disposed of**, accordingly.

8. However, present order would be subject to the submission of passport of the petitioner 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.

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

Pending misc. application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

March 24, 2026

J.Ram

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No