



111 **IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M-67693-2025(O&M)
Date of decision: 24.03.2026

SUKHWINDER SINGH AND ANR

...PETITIONERS

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANR

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S.GREWAL

Present: Mr. Simranjit Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rishabh Singla, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Amrik Singh, Advocate for respondent No.2.

H.S.GREWAL,J. (ORAL)

1. This is a petition for anticipatory bail filed under Section 482 of the Bhartiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 in case bearing complaint No. CIS No. CRR/03/2022 dated 11.01.2023 filed under Sections 3, 4 of SC and ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 and thereafter summoned under Section 3(VII) of SC and ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 vide order dated 11.01.2023.
2. This Court, vide order dated 12.02.2026, had directed the petitioners to appear before the SHO/Investigating Officer and join investigation and in the event of their arrest, they were ordered to be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of the SHO/Investigating Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 482(2) of the BNSS (erstwhile Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).
3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that in compliance of the order dated 12.02.2026, passed by the Co-ordinate Bench of this Court, the



petitioners have joined and cooperated with the investigation.

4. Learned State counsel states that the petitioners have joined the investigation and are not required for further custodial interrogation.

5. On the other hand, learned counsel for the complainant has vehemently opposed the prayer made by ld. counsel for the petitioners for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

6. In view of the statement made by learned State counsel, the petition is allowed and the interim order dated 12.02.2026 is **made absolute**. The petitioners shall continue to join investigation, as and when called by the Investigating Officer and shall also abide by the conditions as provided under Section 482(2) of the BNSS.

7. However, it is clarified that the investigating authority on addition of an offence or offences may not proceed to arrest the accused/petitioner, but for arresting the accused/petitioner on such addition of offence or offences it needs to obtain an order to arrest the accused/petitioners from the Court which had granted the bail in view of the judgment passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in *Sumit Vs State of U.P. and Another*, Criminal Appeal No. 830 of 2026, decided on 09.02.2026.

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

24.03.2026

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(H.S.GREWAL)
JUDGE

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