



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-67824-2025
Date of decision: 24.03.2026

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.....Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present: - Mr. Balbir Kumar Saini, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Mohit Kapoor, Senior DAG, Punjab.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

The petitioner has filed the instant petition under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 for grant of pre-arrest bail in case bearing FIR No. 330 dated 16.11.2025 registered under Sections 318(4), 338, 336(3), 340(2), 61(2) of B.N.S. 2023 and Section 67 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 at Police Station Dera Bassi, District S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that pursuant to the order dated 19.01.2026 passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required for investigation of the case.

Learned State counsel on instruction from concerned Investigating Officer corroborates the said averment and submits that the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required for the purpose of investigation.

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

Since the petitioner has joined the investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required, the present petition is allowed and the interim order dated 19.01.2026 is made absolute.

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

MARCH 24, 2026
Vishal Sharma

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No