



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-68456-2025

ANMOL GABA

...PETITIONER

V/s

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

Date of decision: 29.01.2026

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CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. Lakshay Bector, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Jaypreet Singh, DAG, Punjab.

SUMEET GOEL, J.

1. On 04.12.2025, the following order was passed:-

“Apprehending his arrest in FIR No.256 dated 12.10.2025 registered for offences punishable under Sections 115(2), 126(2), 351(3), 109, 191(3) and 190 of BNS 2023 and Sections 25 & 27 of the Arms Act, at Police Station Division No.7, District Ludhiana; the petitioner has preferred this petition under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking pre-arrest bail. Counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, contends that assuming arguendo, the prosecution version available at this juncture is taken to be correct, the fire shot has not hit anybody, the petitioner is not ascribed the role of discharging the said fire shots, the petitioner is a man with clean antecedents & is willing to join investigation and cooperate therein.

Notice of motion.

On the strength of advance notice; Mr. Adhiraj Singh, AAG, Punjab has entered appearance on behalf of the respondent-State of Punjab.

Adjourned to 23.12.2025.

The petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 08.12.2025 at 11:00 A.M. in concerned Police Station and join



investigation. In the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim bail subject to his furnishing personal/surety bond(s) to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. As and when further called by Investigating Officer, the petitioner shall join the investigation. He shall abide by the condition(s) enumerated under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.”

2. On 09.01.2026, the following order was passed:-

“Learned State counsel submits that the petitioner has joined investigation in terms of the order dated 04.12.2025, but he is required to join further.

Put up on 29.01.2026.

The petitioner is directed to rejoin investigation before the concerned Investigating Officer in the concerned Police Station at 11:00 A.M. on 13.01.2026 and cooperative therein.

Interim order to continue.”

3. Learned State counsel, on instructions, has stated that pursuant to the order dated 04.12.2025 and 09.01.2026, the petitioner has joined investigation and is no longer required for custodial interrogation.

4. Keeping in view the factual milieu of the case in hand; especially the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation and cooperated therein and is no longer required by the State for further custodial interrogation, this Court is inclined to confirm the order dated 04.12.2025 and 09.01.2026, granting anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS.

5. Ordered accordingly.

6. This order should not be treated as “blanket” order. It will not be read granting petitioner indefinite protection from arrest. It shall be confined to the FIR mentioned *ibid* and will not operate in respect of any other incident that involves commission of an offence.

7. Liberty is reserved in favour of State/complainant to move for cancellation/recall of this order in case the petitioner violates any condition stipulated under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 or upon showing any other sufficient cause.
8. Needless to say that anything observed herein above shall not be construed to be an opinion on the merits of the case.
9. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

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