



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-70407-2025

SUKHWINDER SINGH AND OTHERS

...PETITIONERS

V/s

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

...RESPONDENTS

Date of decision: 09.02.2026

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CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. Shrey Vasudev, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Baljinder Singh Sra, Addl. AG, Punjab.

SUMEET GOEL, J.

1. Present petition has been filed under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023 for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case bearing FIR No.172 dated 23.08.2025 registered for offences punishable under Sections 115(2), 118(1), 351(2), 324(4), 3(5) of BNS 2023, at Police Station Sadar Jagraon, District Ludhiana Rural, Punjab.

2. On 19.12.2025, the following order was passed:-

“Apprehending their arrest in FIR No.172 dated 23.08.2025 registered for offences punishable under Sections 115(2), 118(1), 351(2), 324(4), 3(5) of BNS 2023, at Police Station Sadar Jagraon, District Ludhiana; the petitioners have preferred this petition under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking pre-arrest bail.

Counsel for the petitioners, inter alia, contends that the incident is alleged to have taken place on 15.07.2025 whereas the FIR in question was registered on 23.08.2025 and, thus, there is an inordinate delay of 39 days in registration of the FIR, the FIR-omplainant had earlier attacked wife of the petitioner No.1 for



which Kalandra proceedings were initiated & the petitioners are 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 27.01.2026.

The petitioners are directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 24.12.2025 at 11:00 A.M. in concerned Police Station and join investigation. In the event of arrest, the petitioners shall be released on interim bail subject to furnishing personal/surety bond(s) to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. As and when further called by Investigating Officer, the petitioners shall join the investigation. They shall abide by the condition(s) enumerated under Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.”

3. Learned State counsel, on instructions from SI Surjit Singh, has stated that pursuant to the order dated 19.12.2025, the petitioner has joined investigation and is no longer required for custodial interrogation.

4. Office note indicates that respondent No. 2 stands served. However none has caused appearance on behalf of respondent No.2.

5. 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 19.12.2025, granting anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 482(2) of BNSS.

6. Ordered accordingly.

7. 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.



- 8. 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.
- 9. Needless to say that anything observed herein above shall not be construed to be an opinion on the merits of the case.
- 10. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

09.02.2026
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No