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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-69808-2025

Date of decision: 16th February, 2026

Mukesh Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present: Mr. Deepak Arora, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Durgesh Garg, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

MANISHA BATRA, J (ORAL):-

Through the instant petition, the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR No. 294 dated 27.10.2025 registered under Sections 18(c) and 29 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substance Act, 1985 (for short 'NDPS Act') at Police Station Dinanagar, District Gurdaspur.

2. Vide order dated 11.12.2025 passed by this Court, the petitioner was released on interim bail and was directed to join investigation.

3. Learned State counsel filed status report dated 05.02.2026. The same is taken on record. He further, on instructions states that the petitioner has joined the investigation on 11.01.2026 and he is not required for custodial interrogation.

4. In view of the fact that the petitioner has already joined the investigation and the given nature of allegations, his pre-trial incarceration is

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not required. As such, without commenting on merits of case, it is observed that a case for release of petitioner on bail is made out. Accordingly, the petition is allowed and the order 11.12.2025 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute, subject to compliance of conditions laid down in Section 482(2) of BNSS.

5. Since the main petition has been disposed of, pending application, if any, is rendered infructuous.

[MANISHA BATRA]
JUDGE

16th February, 2026
Parveen Sharma

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| 1. Whether speaking/ reasoned | : | Yes / No |
| 2. Whether reportable | : | Yes / No |