



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-70539-2025

AMINDER PAL SINGH

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....RESPONDENT

DATE OF DECISION: 07.04.2026

DATE OF UPLOADING:07.04.2026

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: - Mr. Anandeshwar Gautam, Advocate for the petitioner
(Through VC).

Mr. Gaurav Gurcharan S. Rai, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

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SUMEET GOEL, J (ORAL)

1. The substantive prayer made in the petition reads thus:-

“It is therefore, respectfully prayed that the instant petition be allowed and the impugned order dated 04.03.2020 (Annexure P-4) passed by the Learned Judicial Magistrate First Class, Amritsar, in case no. CHI/1711/2018, arising out of FIR no. 456 (Annexure P-1) dated 31.12.2014, under sections 342, 506 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at police station Chheharta, district Amritsar, Punjab vide which the Petitioner has been declared Proclaimed Officer may kindly be quashed in view of the facts mentioned herein before this Hon'ble Court in the interest of justice.”

2. On 15.12.2025, the following order was passed:-

“Seeking quashing of the impugned order dated 04.03.2020 passed by the Judicial Magistrate First Class, Amritsar, in case bearing No. CHI/1711/2018, arising out of FIR bearing No.456 dated 31.12.2014, under Sections 342 and 506 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station Chheharta, District Amritsar, Punjab, whereby the petitioner was declared a proclaimed offender, the instant petition has been filed.

It is submitted that no notice, summons or any form of intimation regarding the presentation of the challan or the subsequent dates of hearing before the trial Court was served/given to the petitioner, as such, he could not appear before the trial Court, however, the

petitioner is ready and willing to appear before the trial Court within a period peric of two week& from today and join the stream of law.

Notice of motion for 07.04.2026.

In the meanwhile, subject to deposit of Rs.15,000/- by the petitioner with the concerned District Legal Services Authority and surrendering before the trial Court within a period of two weeks from today, he shall be admitted to interim bail on his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court. On his doing so, the impugned order dated 04.03.2020 shall be kept in abeyance till the next date of hearing.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner, while reiterating on behalf of the petitioner, has submitted that the petitioner has caused appearance before the concerned Court and has also deposited the requisite costs in terms of order dated 15.12.2025. Learned counsel has further submitted that the petitioner shall continue to cause appearance before the concerned Court and face trial in accordance with law.

4. Learned State counsel has opposed the grant of the petition in hand by arguing that the petitioner has misused the process of law and has intentionally evaded the same. Learned counsel has thus submitted that the petition ought not to be granted.

5. Having heard learned counsel for the rival parties and on perusal of the record, especially keeping in view the interim order dated 15.12.2025 and compliance thereof at the end of the petitioner, as also the stand of learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner shall continue to appear before the concerned Court and face proceedings in accordance with law, this Court is inclined to grant the petition in hand. Consequently, the impugned order dated 04.03.2020 passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Amritsar, is hereby quashed.

07.04.2026
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(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

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