



**112 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M-71083-2025

Date of decision : 11.03.2026

Jaswant Balochi

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present :- Mr. J.S. Mehndiratta, Senior Advocate with
Mr. K.S. Sethi, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Raj Karan Singh, A.A.G., Punjab.

Mr. Devinder Rajput, Advocate
for the complainant.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in the present petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.114 dated 08.11.2025, registered under Sections 299, 190, 111(3) of BNS and Section 11 of Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960; Section 8 of Punjab Prohibition of Cow Slaughter Act, 1955 at Police Station Sanaur, District Patiala.
2. Vide order dated 24.02.2026, while granting interim protection, the petitioner was directed to join investigation.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that pursuant to order dated 24.02.2026, petitioner has joined the investigation and as such his interim bail may be made absolute.
4. Learned counsel for the complainant has opposed the submissions made by counsel for the petitioner.

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5. Learned State counsel, on instructions, has affirmed the fact that the petitioner has joined the investigation and he is no more required for further investigation.

6. In view of the above, interim order dated 24.02.2026 is made absolute subject to compliance of conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) BNSS.

7. Petition stands allowed.

(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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