



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

104

CRM-M-72282-2025 (O&M)

Date of decision: 02.04.2026

Balwinder Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : Mr. Amit Dhawan, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr. Manipal Singh Atwal, DAG Punjab

Mr. Abnash Singh, Advocate for the complainant

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J. (ORAL)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 482 BNSS for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.104 dated 05.08.2025, registered under Sections 406, 420, 120-B IPC and 13 of Punjab Travel Professionals (Regulation) Act, 2014, at Police Station Bhogpur, District Jalandhar Rural.

2. On 27.03.2026, this Court had passed the following order:-

“Learned counsel contends that the allegation with regard to sending the husband of the complainant abroad are relating to year 2021, however, the FIR has been got lodged after a period of four years. There is no amount that the petitioner has received in his account. The allegation with regard to Rs.40,000/- referred to in the FIR is from the commission agent of the petitioner, as he is an agriculturist. He has been falsely implicated due to the fact that his land is adjacent to that of husband of the complainant. There is no medical referred to in the FIR with regard to the allegation of rape. No other case is pending against the petitioner. He has no concern with the business of travel agency and is ready and willing to join the investigation as and when required by the investigating agency and will cooperate.

Learned State counsel as well as counsel for the complainant made their respective submissions in opposition.

Meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the

investigation on or before 30.03.2026. In the event of his arrest, he shall be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer, subject to compliance of conditions as enshrined under Section 482(2) BNSS.

However, it is clarified that if the petitioner does not join and cooperate with the Investigating Agency as required by the Arresting/Investigating Officer, this interim order shall be deemed to have been vacated.

Adjourned to 02.04.2026.”

3. Learned counsel submits that in pursuance of the afore-mentioned order, the petitioner has not only joined investigation but also fully cooperated with the investigating agency. He further submits that in case the investigating agency requires the petitioner to appear, he shall make himself available without demur.
4. Learned State counsel on instructions from SI Kabal Singh affirms the factum of joining the investigation by the petitioner and cooperating with the investigating agency. He also submits that at this stage, the petitioner is not required for further custodial interrogation.
5. In view of the above and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, anticipatory bail petition filed by the petitioner is allowed and the order dated 27.03.2026 granting interim bail to him, is hereby made absolute, subject to compliance of conditions as specified under Section 482(2) BNSS.
6. However, it is made clear that if the petitioner fails to join and cooperate with the investigating agency as and when required, the State would be at liberty to move an application for cancellation of the present anticipatory bail granted to him.

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

02.04.2026
M.Kamra

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