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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Decided on: 19.03.2026

Nishan Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: Mr. R.K. Kachura, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J.

1. Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438 Cr.P.C.), is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, who has been booked in a criminal case arising out of First Information Report, as detailed hereunder:-

Name & age of Petitioner (s)	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Nishan Singh	13	25.02.2025	109, 332(b), 115(2), 118(1), 324(5), 191(3), 190 of BNS and Section 25 of Arms Act (Sections 118(2) of BNS and 27 of Arms Act were added later on)	City Zira	Ferozepur

2. After hearing learned counsel for the petitioner on 23.12.2025 following was recorded:

- “1.xxx
- .2. Allegations in the FIR read as under:



“Statement of Karnjot Singh son of Jaswinder Singh son of Satnam Singh, resident of Awan Road Street No. 1, Zira Police Station that "Zira, age about 23 years M.no. 89689-46402 stated that I am a resident of the said address. I am studying law at Nanak College Ferozepur. Our grocery shop is at Moti Bagh Market Kot, Khan road Jira. This morning when I went to my shop, in front of the shop there were two boys working with state cable in front of the shop, one of them named Gurpreet Singh aka Gopi son of Lal Singh, resident of Shah Wala Shokha Basti Jira and a boy whom I could recognize when he came in front of me I said that I have to clean the shop, put my things on the side, but they didn't go to the side, so I started cleaning my shop, then Gurpreet Singh aka Gopi scolded me, then we had an argument, then it was around 09:30 AM, Gurpreet Singh aka Gopi called and called about 30/35 boys, as many as Kirpan, Khanda, rod, baseball and two persons were carrying revolvers. Inside the shop my uncle's son Amanpreet Singh and Pradhan Ved Prakas, my father Jaswinder Singh and the boy who worked in the shop, Gurlal, among them were Gurpreet Singh alias Gopi, his brother Kuldeep Singh, Nissan Singh son of Unknown armed with Kirpan, Buta Singh son of Balwant Singh armed with Khanda, Balwant Singh son of Garib Singh armed with Khanda and Sukhbir Singh alias Sheera son of Lal Singh armed with Rod and the gardener whom I can recognize when he appear before me armed with Garari Loha, Karan son of Manga armed with Kirpan, Makki Dana son of Unknown armed with Khanda, Robin MH saloon armed with Rod all residents of Shahwala Road Jira and Tahil Singh's boy resident of Mansoor Deva armed with Kirpan, Happy son of Sewa armed with Kirpan and the rest of the boys had Kirpan, Khanda then Gurpreet Singh alias Gopi held the Kirpan to one of his companions. Gurpreet Singh raised Lalkara kill him,



everyone, today let's have the fun of arguing with this shop owner. All these acquaintances attacked us at once and entered the shop. Gurpreet hit me on the head with his hand kirpan with the intention of killing me. I raised my left hand and the kirpan hit my left palm and his brother kuldeeeep hit me with iron rod which hit my right elbow then bakiya withhis own weapon hit Pradhan Ved Prakash on the head, Amanpreet Singh on the right arm on the right side of the chest near the left knee and Jaswinder Singh, my father got injuries on the head and arms. Sukhwinder Singh @ shreea threatened us by showing the revolver and Seeing the gathering of the shopkeeper and the passerby, they all ran away from the along with their weapons. The resentment is that Gurpreet Singh alias Gopi, who works to fix the said hori net, stopped us from sitting in front of our shop, he called other boys and attacked us. The gurduge is that gurpreet singh @ gopi who works to fix the said hori net, stopped us from sitting in front of our shop and called other boys to attack us. I have admitted at jira, After writing, read it and heard it, action should be taken Sd/- Declarant Karanjot Singh.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that co-accusedGurmail Singh, who was alleged to be armed with a kirpan but to whom no specific injury was attributed, has already been granted the concession of anticipatory bail by the Coordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 24.04.2025 passed in CRM-M-21250-2025 (P-2).

4. Another co-accused, namely Jaswinder Singh @ Gurpreet Singh @ Gopi, who, as per the contention of the complainant, was also armed with a kirpan and allegedly inflicted an injury upon the complainant which was declared grievous, has also been extended the concession of anticipatory bail by the Coordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 20.06.2025 passed in CRM-M-32933-2025 (P-3).



5. *With regard to the role of the petitioner, learned counsel for the petitioner argues that petitioner-Nishan Singh, is also alleged to be armed with a kirpan, but no specific injury has been attributed to him. Applying the principle of parity, petitioner is entitled to the same concession. Moreover, petitioner is ready and willing to join the investigation, provided he is protected from arrest. In view of the above, learned counsel prays for the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.*

6. *Notice of motion.*

On advance notice, Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr. DAG, Punjab puts in appearance on behalf of the respondent – State. He seeks some time to file reply.

7. *Adjourned to 12.03.2026.*

8. *In the meanwhile, petitioner is directed to join the investigation as and when required to do so by the Investigating Agency. In the event of his arrest, petitioner shall be released on interim bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer. Petitioner shall also be abide by all the conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).*

9. *Besides, it is directed that petitioner would hand over his passport to the Investigating Agency or to Court concerned, if he possesses. Otherwise, would submit an affidavit, disclosing the fact that he does not possess any passport.*

It is also directed that before leaving country any time during trial, petitioner would seek prior permission of the Court”

3. Continuing his submissions, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance with the order dated 23.12.2025 passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined the investigation and has extended full cooperation. He, therefore, prays for confirmation of the interim anticipatory bail order.

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4. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Bhupinder Singh, submits that in pursuance of the directions issued by this Court, the petitioner joined the investigation after being directed to do so on 28.12.2025 and, as of now, his custodial interrogation is not required.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the paper-book.

6. Since, petitioner has already joined the investigation and custodial interrogation is no more required; ad-interim bail order dated 23.12.2025, passed by this Court is hereby made absolute. Accordingly, present petition is allowed.

It is made clear that petitioner shall continue to join the investigation as and when required to do so and abide by all the terms and conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

7. However, it is clarified that in case the passport or an affidavit regarding non-possession of a passport, if he does not possess one, is not submitted to the Investigating Agency or the Court concerned within a period of two weeks from today, the present order shall be deemed to be inoperative and the Investigating Officer shall be at liberty to proceed with the arrest of the petitioner.

8. Accordingly, petition stands disposed of.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

19.03.2026

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Whether Speaking/Reasoned: **YES/NO**
Whether Reportable: **YES/NO**