



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-14035-2025  
Date of decision: 08.04.2025

GURJIT SINGH

....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

....Respondent

**CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY**

Present:- Mr. J.S. Sekhon, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajinder Singh Bhatta, DAG Punjab.

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**SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)**

By way of present petition filed under Section 482 BNSS, 2023, the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR (Annexure P-1) as under: -

<b>FIR No.</b>	<b>Dated</b>	<b>Sections</b>	<b>Police Station</b>
07	02.02.2025	61(1)(a) of Punjab Excise Act	Gardhiwala, District Hoshiarpur

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance to the order dated 12.03.2025, the petitioner has joined the investigation.

3. During the course of hearing on 12.03.2025, following order had been passed: -

*“2. It is, inter alia, contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner having no other criminal antecedents has been falsely implicated in this case on the allegation that he was traveling in case driven by the co-*



*accused, Harpreet Singh @ Happy which was signaled to stop by the police on the fateful day and the petitioner had allegedly ran away from the spot. He contends that the recovery has already been effected from the co-accused (supra) with which the petitioner has no concern. Hence, the instant petition.*

3. *Notice of motion.*

4. *On the asking of the Court, Mr. Rajinder Singh Bhatta, DAG, Punjab, present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the Staterespondent and prays for time to file the status report/reply in the matter.*

5. *Adjourned to 08.04.2025.*

6. *Needful be done well before the date fixed with an advance copy to the counsel opposite.*

7. *In the meanwhile, the petitioner is hereby directed to join investigation within seven days from today and in the event of his arrest, he is ordered to be released on interim bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. He shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita 2023 (BNSS).*

8. *Investigating Officer (concerned) to remain present in Court along with relevant records on the date fixed.”*

4. Learned State counsel on instructions received from ASI Sarabjit Singh informs the Court that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is neither required for further investigation nor for any custodial interrogation.

5. Keeping in view the above submissions made by learned State counsel and the fact that the petitioner had joined the investigation consequent to the order dated 12.03.2025 passed by this Court, interim bail granted vide order dated 12.03.2025 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 482(2) of BNSS. Further the petitioner is directed to join investigation as and when required in future by



way of written notice for such purpose to be served by Investigating Officer of this case upon the petitioner; he will not tamper with the evidence nor will influence the witnesses and will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court.

6. The petition stands allowed.

7. It is made clear that anything contained hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

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**(SANJIV BERRY)**  
**JUDGE**

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| i)  | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable?        | Yes/No |