

IN THE COURT OF TPS RANDHAWA, ADDL. SESSIONS
JUDGE, MOHALI. (UID NO.PB0256)

Case Details

Case Type	Bail Application
Regn. No.	BA-03-2026
CNR No.	PBSA01-000028-2026
Date of order	08.01.2026

Sharanjeet Singh aged 28 years son of Amrik Singh, resident of Village
Tasauli, Tehsil and District SAS Nagar, (Mohali).

...Applicant.

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

FIR No. 326 dated 27.12.2025
U/s. 4-A of Mines & Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act
1957
Police Station: Sohana, SAS Nagar, (Mohali).

Anticipatory Bail application under Section 482 BNSS.

Present: Sh. J.S. Chahal, Advocate for applicant/accused
Sh. Harpreet Singh, learned Addl. PP for the state.

ORDER:

1. Applicant/accused has filed the present application under Section
482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS) for grant of
anticipatory bail.
2. Report of Ahlmad received that no bail application qua the same
applicant is pending or decided by any Court.
3. Notice of bail application was given to I.O./SHO and HC Surjit
Singh, No. 1369/SAS Nagar, now posted at Police Station Sohana appeared and
suffered a statement that this is the first anticipatory bail application filed by

applicant/accused. No other offence has been added in the present case. No other FIR is found to be registered against applicant/accused. Custodial interrogation of applicant/accused is required to ascertain whether he is having any license or permit for mining.

4. The brief facts are that the present FIR was registered on the complaint filed by Deepak Sharma, JE/Mining Inspector that on 27.12.2025, he checked the Dump of M/s Saini Traders and the proprietor/owner of the said dump could not produce any registration certificate and there was 12000 CFT of Sand and 5000 CFT of gravel lying in the said dump which was violation of the Mines & Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957. On the above complaint, FIR was registered.

5. Counsel for the applicant/accused has argued that no offence under Section 4-A of Mines & Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act 1957 is made out and a false FIR has been registered. Nothing is to be recovered from the applicant/accused. So he prayed that bail application be allowed.

6. On the other hand, learned Addl. PP for the state has argued that applicant/accused was having in his possession illegally mined sand and custodial interrogation is required to question him about the permit and license etc. So he prayed that bail application be dismissed.

7. Rival contentions heard and record perused.

8. FIR has been registered under Section 4-A of Mines & Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act 1957, which deals with cancellation of licenses or permits of mining by the Central Government or the State Government. How the said offence is made out in the present case is not clear. Nothing is to be

recovered from the applicant/accused as the sand and gravel were already lying in the premises of the applicant/accused. There is no other FIR against the applicant/accused.

9. Hence, in view of the above said facts and circumstances, without commenting upon the merits of the case, this Court is of the opinion that the applicant/accused should be granted anticipatory bail.

Thus applicant/accused is granted interim anticipatory bail and he is directed to join investigation within 7 days and on his doing so, he shall be admitted to bail to the satisfaction of Arresting Officer/investigating officer. Applicant/accused shall cooperate in the investigation and shall appear as and when called by the investigating officer. He shall comply with the following conditions:-

1. That the applicant(s) shall join the investigation as and when called by the investigating agency;
2. That the applicant(s) shall not tamper with the prosecution evidence;
3. That the applicant(s) shall not leave the country without prior permission of the court;
4. That the applicant(s) shall abide by the terms and conditions as envisaged under Section 482 (2) of BNSS.

For report of the investigating officer, adjourned to 16.01.2026.

Police brief is returned.

Pronounced in open Court.
Dated:08.01.2026.

Bhupinder Singh, Stenographer-II

(TPS Randhawa),
Addl. Sessions Judge,
SAS Nagar : UID no.PB0256