

Shouvik Paul Vs. State

FIR No. 74 dated 30.04.2026
Under Section- 316(2), 318(4) and
308(2) of BNS
Police Station- Anaj Mandi,
District- Patiala.

Present: Sh. PS Handa, Advocate; counsel for applicant/accused Shouvik Paul.
APP for the State assisted by counsel for the complainant, Sh. Naveen
Trehan, Advocate.

ORDER

This order of mine shall dispose of first bail application filed by applicants/accused namely Shouvik Paul through his counsel.

2. It is averred in the application that the applicant has been falsely involved in the above noted case and there is no reason to believe that the applicant has committed any offence. Further, it is averred that the prima facie no case against the applicant is made out as the ingredients of offences u/s 316(2), 318(4) and 308(2) of BNS are not made out, rather prosecution case in itself is misconceived one. It is further averred that in the present case there is no cogent and legally admissible evidence against the applicant on the file and in the present case the allegations leveled by the prosecution are totally vague, omnibus and without any cogent evidence. It is further averred that nothing is to be recovered from the present applicant, as such no custodial interrogation of the applicant is required for an further incarceration of the present applicant is totally uncalled for. Further the present application is the first bail application u/s 480 of the BNSS filed by the applicant/accused before this Hon'ble Court. Prior thereto, the applicant had filed a bail application u/s 482 of the BNSS before the Court of Sessions, Patiala, which is

pending before the Hon'ble Court of Ms. Amandeep Kaur, Learned ASJ, Patiala, for today. Apart from the aforesaid proceedings, no other bail application under any provision of the Code has been filed by the applicant before this Hon'ble Court or before any other Superior Court of Law. Further it is averred that the applicant is permanent resident of above stated address, hence, there is no apprehension of his absconding or tampering with the prosecution evidence. So, the applicant may kindly be released on bail.

3. Notice of the bail application was given to learned APP for the State who did not file any reply to the same but contested this application and argued that the accused/applicant has committed a serious offence and as such, he does not deserve concession of bail.

4. Notice of the application was also given to the Investigating Officer on which ASI Randhir Singh No. 977/Ptl, PS Anaj Mandi, Patiala appeared and suffered statement to the effect that Shouvik Paul has not been granted bail in the present FIR earlier and as per record, this is the first bail application filed in the present FIR. Further averred that no bail application is pending or decided by the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court or Hon'ble Supreme Court of India or any other Superior Court. Further averred that there is no any other co accused involved in the present case. Further averred that the offences involved in the present case is u/s 316(2), 318(4), 308(2) BNS, PS Anaj Mandi, Patiala. Accused Shouvik Paul is in custody since 06.06.2026. Further averred that there is no any other FIR

registered against the present accused. One laptop has been recovered from the present accused.

5. Perusal of file further shows that Monish Sharma, Complainant along with counsel Sh. Naveen Trehan, Advocate appeared on 22.06.2026 and suffered statement to the effect that he is the complainant in the present case. The Accused Shouvik Paul through his wife Baishali Ghosh have approached the complainant Company GSA industries for compromise, now both the parties have arrived at a settlement by way of which Shouvik Paul has agreed to execute a written compromise deed and Employment bond with GSA Industries, India Pvt. Ltd. An affidavit executed by the wife of Shouvik Paul have been submitted with GSA Industries, India Pvt. Ltd. After Shouvik Paul will released on bail, he has agreed to abide by all the terms and conditions of compromise deed and employment bond. As such at present he has no objection if the accused be released on bail, however in case Shouvik Paul refuses to execute above mentioned documents or he fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the compromise and employment bond and in that eventuality he reserved his right too for proceeding of cancellation of bail in the present case. The unsigned and undated copies of compromise deed and employment bond are placed on record.

6. Today, learned counsel for the accused has suffered statement to the effect that applicant Shouvik Paul had filed an anticipatory bail which was withdrawn by him through his other counsel on dated 12.06.2026. Copy of order dated 12.06.2026 is attached as Mark X.

7. Report of Ahlmad was called regarding order dated 12.06.2026 who reported that order dated 12.06.2026 is correct as per CIS system.

8. Perusal of order dated 12.06.2026 passed by the Court of Sh. Kamaldeep Singh, Learned Additional Sessions Judge-cum-Vacation Judge, Patiala shows that the bail application filed by the applicant has been dismissed as withdrawn.

9. I have heard the learned counsel for applicant/accused and the learned APP for the State.

10. Record perused. Taking into consideration the contents of the application, contents of FIR and other documents placed on record, I am of the considered opinion that the accused is in custody since 09.06.2026. The conclusion of trial is likely to take some time and custodial interrogation of the accused/applicant is not required. As such, no useful purpose would be served by keeping him behind the bars. Therefore, present bail application of the applicant-accused is **allowed** on furnishing bail bonds in the sum of ₹80,000/- with one surety in the like amount subject to the following conditions:-

- i) The accused/applicant shall not leave the country without prior permission of the court.
- ii) The accused/applicant shall attend the court on each and every date of hearing and shall comply with other conditions of the bond executed.
- iii) The accused/applicant shall not commit any offence similar to the offence, of which, he is accused or suspect of the commission of which he is suspected.

- iv) The accused/applicant shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade them from disclosing such facts to the court or to any police officer or tamper with the evidence.
- v) The accused/applicant and surety/sureties shall be bound to intimate the court as and when they change their given addresses.

Further, it is made clear that non-compliance of any of the abovesaid conditions shall entail cancellation of bail order, bail bonds and surety bonds of the accused/applicant.

Requisite bail bonds and surety bonds not furnished.

Papers of bail application be attached with the main file and be send to the Concerned Court.

**Pronounced in open court on:
23.06.2026**
Aman (directly dictated)

**Prabha Prashar, PCS
Judicial Magistrate Ist Class (Duty),
Patiala (UID NO.PB0500)**