

IN THE COURT OF SANJIV JOSHI, SESSIONS JUDGE,
FARIDKOT (UID No. PB0105)

PBFD010033062026



Case No. BA-1297-2026

Presented on : 21-05-2026
Registered on : 22-05-2026
Decided on : 02-06-2026

Hardeep Singh Brar, aged about 49 years, son of Darshan Singh, resident of Patti Padarth, Rajiana, District Moga, Punjab.
.... Applicant/accused

Versus

State of Punjab

FIR No. 131 Dated 03.05.2026
Under Section: 108 BNS
Police Station: Sadar Faridkot

Application for bail under Section 483 of BNSS

Present: Shri Mandeep Chanana, Advocate, and Shri Manjinder Singh Brar, Advocate, counsel for applicant/accused.
Shri Surinder Sachdeva, Additional Public Prosecutor for State.
Shri Gagandeep Singh, Advocate, counsel for complainant.

ORDER

This order of mine shall decide this application for regular bail under section 483 of BNSS, filed in the above noted FIR on behalf of the applicant.

2. **Heard.** Learned counsel for the applicant/accused submitted that the applicant is innocent and has been falsely implicated in the present case. It has been vehemently contended that deceased Yogesh Sharma, who was student of BA-1st year had conversation of merely 48

seconds with applicant/accused. The applicant/accused merely asked the deceased to return the book and to deposit the fine of Rs.500/- for not returning the book to the library within time. It has been further contended that the applicant/accused merely performed his official duty and he never threatened the deceased nor called names, as alleged in the FIR. It has been further contended that the applicant/accused has been suffering from liver and heart ailment since long and he remained admitted in G.G.S Medical Hospital, Faridkot from 09.05.2026 to 18.05.2026. It has been further contended that no allegation of maltreatment etc. was ever levelled in the first application by the complainant to the police. It has been further contended that the applicant/accused has been in custody since long and nothing is to be recovered from him. Presentation of challan and conclusion of trial is likely to take considerable time and no useful purpose would be served by keeping the applicant/accused in custody for an indefinite period. Therefore, it has been prayed that the applicant/accused is entitled to the concession of regular bail.

3. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the State, assisted by learned counsel for the complainant, vehemently argued that the applicant/accused did not issue NOC to deceased Yogesh Sharma when he went to the college to get roll number to appear in the examination. Though deceased Yogesh Sharma deposited fine amount of Rs.500/- in the college, but the applicant/accused threatened him with dire consequences and also maltreated him for not returning book in the

library as per rules. The deceased felt humiliated and became deeply distressed by the threats and conduct of the applicant/accused, due to which he jumped into the canal and committed suicide. Prayer for dismissal of the bail application has been made.

4. This Court has duly considered the rival contentions and has gone through the record.

5. As per the prosecution version, FIR in the present case has been registered on the statement of Gursewak Pal son of Budh Ram, recorded with the police on 03.05.2026, wherein he alleged that he has three children, one son and two daughters. Both daughters are elder to his son, Yogesh Sharma, aged about 20-21 years, who was studying in the first year of B.A. at Guru Nanak Government College, Guru Teg Bahadur Garh (Rode College), District Moga. Yogesh Sharma used to leave home every day at about 7:30 AM by bus for college and would usually return home at about 3:30 PM. On 25.04.2026, Yogesh Sharma left for college at about 7:30 AM as per his routine. At about 10:00-10:30 AM, he called his uncle Ram Narayan from his mobile number 98773-99032 to mobile number 76268-14223 and asked him to transfer Rs.500/- through Google Pay for obtaining his examination roll number, stating that his Library In-charge/Teacher, Hardeep Singh Brar ("Mota Sir"), had directed him to deposit the money. Thereafter, Yogesh Sharma repeatedly called the family mobile number 95011-28023 and informed them that the teacher had asked him to deposit the library book. He later called again and requested that photograph of the library book be sent to him. He further

informed the family that the Library In-charge/Teacher, Hardeep Singh Brar was threatening him and had told him that if he did not deposit the book on the same day, his name would be struck off from the college rolls. Yogesh Sharma also informed the family that he had submitted an application to the Principal for issuance of his roll number and that the Principal had instructed Hardeep Singh Brar to issue the roll number to him. However, despite his repeated requests and pleas, Hardeep Singh Brar refused to issue the roll number and humiliated him. Yogesh Sharma pleaded with him that his village was far away and that he would deposit the book by Monday. Despite this, Hardeep Singh Brar allegedly told him that if he did not have the means to deposit the books, he should come under a train or jump into a canal and die. He further told him that if he failed to deposit the book that very day, his name would be removed from the college. The complainant further stated that his son made repeated requests, pleaded with folded hands and even touched the feet of Hardeep Singh Brar, but the latter continued to humiliate and threaten him. He allegedly told Yogesh Sharma that no school or college would ever admit him and that his life would be ruined. Unable to bear this humiliation, Yogesh Sharma became deeply distressed by the threats and conduct of Hardeep Singh Brar. He then posted a message on his Instagram account against Hardeep Singh Brar, stating ***“Rode College de Mote Sir nu saja krva do je miss you family.”*** Thereafter, he switched off his mobile phone. When Yogesh Sharma did not return home till evening, the family

started making inquiries from relatives and local residents, but no information regarding his whereabouts could be obtained. From the inquiries conducted and information gathered, it became apparent to the complainant that Yogesh Sharma, being deeply upset and distressed by the conduct of Hardeep Singh Brar, Library In-charge/Teacher (“Mota Sir”), had ended his life. The dead body of Yogesh Sharma was recovered on 02.05.2026 from the Abohar Branch Canal beneath the bridge situated between villages Tamkot and Ram Nagar Saunke.

6. After hearing learned counsel for the applicant/accused, learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the State, assisted by learned counsel for the complainant, this Court is of the considered opinion that the applicant/accused is not entitled to the concession of regular bail, keeping in view the gravity and seriousness of the allegations levelled against him. The contention raised on behalf of the applicant/accused that there was merely a 48 second conversation between the deceased Yogesh Sharma and the applicant/accused is a matter which can only be conclusively determined upon appreciation of evidence during trial. However, at this stage, it cannot be brushed aside that the deceased did not return to his residence after meeting the applicant/accused in the library and subsequently jumped into a canal, resulting in his death by suicide. Prima facie, this indicates the existence of a proximate link between the deceased’s act of suicide and his interaction with the applicant/accused in the library. As regards the submission of learned

counsel for the applicant/accused that he is suffering from liver and heart ailments, the same cannot be considered a sufficient ground for grant of bail at this stage, particularly when the record reveals that the applicant/accused had already been discharged from G.G.S. Medical Hospital, Faridkot, on 18.05.2026. Consequently, the application for grant of regular bail is hereby **dismissed**. However, any observation made herein shall not be construed to be an expression on merits of the case. Bail application file be consigned to the record room.

Dated: 02.06.2026

Pankaj

(Sanjiv Joshi),
Sessions Judge,
Faridkot
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Hardeep Singh Brar Vs. State of Punjab

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Arguments have been heard. Vide my separate detailed order of even date, the present regular bail application of the applicant/ accused has been **dismissed**, as detailed therein. Bail application file be consigned to the record room.

Dated: 02.06.2026

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