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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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Date of decision: 09.09.2026**

AMIT KUMAR MEHTA**...PETITIONER****VERSUS****STATE OF HARYANA & ANR****...RESPONDENTS****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S.GREWAL**

Present: Mr. Dheeraj Narula, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr. Neeraj Sheoran, Sr. DAG, Haryana.

Mr. Akash Aggarwal, Advocate for the complainant.

H.S.GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (corresponding to Section 438 Cr.P.C.) seeking grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.293 dated 11.07.2025, registered under Sections 3(5), 318(4), 336(3), 338 and 340 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (corresponding to Sections 34, 420, 468, 467 and 471 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860) at Police Station Civil Lines, Sirsa, District Sirsa.

2. This Court, vide order dated 14.07.2026, had directed the petitioner to appear before the SHO/Investigating Officer and join investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was ordered to be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of the SHO/Investigating Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 482(2) of the BNSS (erstwhile Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of the



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order dated 14.07.2026, passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined and cooperated with the investigation.

4. Learned State counsel states that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for further custodial interrogation.

5. Learned counsel for the complainant has vehemently opposed the prayer made by ld. counsel for the petitioner.

6. In view of the statement made by learned State counsel, the petition is allowed and the interim order dated 14.07.2026 is **made absolute**. The petitioner shall continue to join investigation, as and when called by the Investigating Officer and shall also abide by the conditions as provided under Section 482(2) of the BNSS.

7. However, it is clarified that the investigating authority on addition of an offence or offences may not proceed to arrest the accused/petitioner, but for arresting the accused/petitioner on such addition of offence or offences it needs to obtain an order to arrest the accused/petitioners from the Court which had granted the bail in view of the judgment passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in *Sumit Vs State of U.P. and Another*, Criminal Appeal No. 830 of 2026, decided on 09.02.2026.

8. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

09.09.2026

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(H.S.GREWAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No