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

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Decided on: 25.03.2026

Jagtar Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: Mr. Bharat Puri, Advocate
None for the petitioner.

Mr. Manjinder Singh Bhullar, DAG Punjab

Mr. Rajan Jaswal, Advocate
for respondent No. 2

SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438 Cr.P.C.), is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, who has been booked in a criminal case arising out of FIR No.0042 dated 15.04.2025, under Sections 420 and 120-B IPC and Section 13 of PTPR Act at Police Station Khem Karan, District Tarn Taran.

2. On 19.12.2025, following order was passed:

“(i) *** **

(ii) *Learned counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, contends that monetary dispute between respondent No.2/complainant and accused party, including petitioner herein, has since been amicably resolved, pursuant to which a compromise deed dated 03.11.2025 has been executed between the parties (Annexure P-2).*

(iii) *It is further submitted that one of the co-accused, namely Harpreet Singh*



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Sandhu, has already been granted the concession of interim anticipatory bail by the co-ordinate Bench of this Court, vide order dated 28.05.2025 passed in CRM-M-30399-2025 (Annexure P-5), and the said petition is now listed for hearing on 20.02.2026.

Learned counsel further submits that for quashing of the FIR, petition, i.e. CRM-M-65265-2025, has been filed by the petitioner, which is also pending consideration and is listed for hearing on 20.01.2026.

(iv) Notice of motion.

(v) On advance notice, Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr. DAG, Punjab, puts in appearance on behalf of the respondent – State, and Mr. Rajan Jaswal, Advocate, puts in appearance on behalf of respondent No.2 (complainant) and files his vakalatnama in Court today, which is taken on record.

(vi) Adjourned to 20.01.2026.

To be heard along with CRM-M-65265-2025.

(vii) Meanwhile, the petitioner is directed to join the investigation as and when required to do so by the Investigating Agency. In the event of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on ad-interim bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer. The petitioner shall also abide by all the conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.).

(viii) Besides, it is directed that petitioner would hand over his passport to the Investigating Agency or to Court concerned, if he possesses. Otherwise, would submit an affidavit, disclosing the fact that he does not possess any passport.

It is also directed that before leaving country any time during trial, petitioner would seek prior permission of the Court.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in pursuance to the directions issued by this Court vide order dated 19.12.2025, the petitioner has joined investigation. He further informs that during the pendency of the present petition the parties have resolved the dispute.

4. Learned State counsel on instructions confirms the said averment made by counsel for the petitioner of joining the investigation by the petitioner, and submits that as of now, custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required for the purpose of investigation.



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5. Heard learned counsel for the parties.
6. Since, petitioner has already joined the investigation and custodial interrogation is no more required; ad-interim bail order dated 19.12.2025 passed by this Court is hereby made absolute. Accordingly, present petition is allowed.
7. The petitioner shall continue to join the investigation as and when required to do so and abide by all the terms and conditions laid down under Section 482(2) of BNSS, 2023.
8. However, present order would be subject to the submission of his passport to the Investigating Agency or to Court concerned, if he possesses, within a period of one week from today. Otherwise, he would submit an affidavit, disclosing the fact that he does not possess any passport.
9. It is clarified that in case, aforesaid condition is not complied with, this order would be considered as *non est* automatically.

25.03.2026

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**(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE**Whether Speaking/Reasoned:
Whether Reportable:**YES/NO
~~YES~~/NO**