



dated 02<sup>nd</sup> January, 2026 registered at NRI, District Hoshiarpur under Sections 316(2), 318(4) and 61(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), 2023.

5. We have heard learned counsel appearing for the parties.

6. Learned counsel appearing for the respondent does not dispute that the appellant has joined investigation in terms of the previous order.

7. It is also not in dispute that the appellant is a woman, entitled to the benefit of Section 480 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

8. Taking an overall view of the matter in the light of the nature of allegations against the appellant, we are of the considered opinion that the appellant's detention for custodial interrogation is not necessary and that she may be admitted to an order for grant of bail in anticipation of arrest.

9. We, accordingly, set aside the judgment and order, impugned in this appeal.

10. It is directed that in the event of the appellant

being arrested, she shall be released on bail on terms and conditions to be imposed by the trial court.

11. Since the investigation is yet to conclude, we direct that if the investigating officer calls upon the appellant to continue to join the investigation, she shall do so by attending the police station failing which liberty is granted to bring any such omission to the notice of the trial court and seek cancellation of bail.

12. Needless to observe, the appellant shall not, directly or indirectly, by making inducement, threat or promise, dissuade any person acquainted with the facts of the case from disclosing such facts to any police officer or to the court.

13. We clarify that the observations made in this order and grant of bail to the appellant in anticipation of arrest will not be treated as findings on the merits of the case.

14. The appeal is, accordingly, allowed on the aforesaid terms.

15. Pending application(s), if any, stand disposed of.

.....J.  
(DIPANKAR DATTA)

.....J.  
(SATISH CHANDRA SHARMA)

**New Delhi;  
April 10, 2026.**

**ITEM NO.11**

**COURT NO.8**

**SECTION II-B**

**S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A  
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

**Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.)  
No(s).3475/2026**

**[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order  
dated 28-01-2026 in CRMM No.4592/2026 passed by the  
High Court of Punjab & Haryana at Chandigarh]**

**GURPREET KAUR**

**Petitioner**

**VERSUS**

**STATE OF PUNJAB & ANR.**

**Respondents**

**I.A. No.61327/2026-EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE  
IMPUGNED JUDGMENT**

**I.A. No.61328/2026-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.**

**Date : 10-04-2026 This matter was called on for  
hearing today.**

**CORAM :**

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DIPANKAR DATTA**

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SATISH CHANDRA SHARMA**

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Mr. Vansh Bhatnagar, Adv.**

**UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the  
following  
O R D E R**

1. I.A. No.108484/2026 seeking impleadment of the complainant as respondent no.2 is allowed. Cause-title be amended accordingly.
2. Leave granted.
3. The appeal is allowed in terms of the signed order.
4. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

**(RASHMI DHYANI PANT)  
ASST. REGISTRAR-CUM-PS**

**(SUDHIR KUMAR SHARMA)  
COURT MASTER (NSH)**

**(signed order is placed on the file)**