

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA  
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. OF 2026  
(Arising out of SLP(Crl.) No. 5989/2026)

SUKHWINDER SINGH @ SUKHJINDER SINGH APPELLANT(S)

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

RESPONDENT(S)

O R D E R

1. Leave granted.
2. The appellant challenges the judgment and order dated 03-02-2026 in CRM-M No. 4638/2026 (O&M) passed by the High Court of Punjab & Haryana at Chandigarh..
3. On 07.04.2026, this Court passed the following order:-

"1. Learned counsel for the petitioner invites our attention to the order dated 09.01.2026 passed by the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh in CRM-M-203-2026 whereby, the co-accused, being the main assailant, has already been enlarged on anticipatory bail.

2. The petitioner challenges the judgment and order dated 03-02-2026 in CRM-M-4638-2026 (O&M) passed by the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh.

3. Issue notice, returnable on 08.05.2026.

4. Mr. Karan Sharma, Advocate-on-Record accepts notice on behalf of the State of Punjab. Hence, the formal service of notice on the respondent-State is waived.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner to serve a copy of the present petition to the learned counsel for the respondent-State within a period of one week.

6. Let counter affidavit be filed within two weeks. Rejoinder thereto, if any, be filed within one week thereafter.

7. In the event of arrest in connection with F.I.R. No.178/2025 dated 08.11.2025, registered at P.S. Ramdas, District-Amritsar, Punjab, the petitioner shall be released on bail by the Investigating/ Arresting Officer on such terms and conditions as imposed and found to be just, fair and reasonable.

8. The petitioner shall make himself available before the Investigating Officer on 10.04.2026 at 10:00 a.m. and on all such dates as he may be required.

9. Needless to add, the petitioner would maintain good conduct and not attempt to influence any of the witnesses, in any manner, till the completion of the trial."

4. It is not in dispute that the conditions stand fully complied with; the appellant has cooperated during the investigation; he has not threatened or intimidated any of the witnesses; or has tried to influence the investigation in any manner.

5. We have noticed the nature of crime and the manner in which it was allegedly committed.

6. We allow the present appeal by confirming the order dated 07.04.2026, passed by this Court, with a direction to the appellant to continue to cooperate during the

investigation/trial and not to take any unnecessary adjournment. Also, the appellant shall report before the Investigating Officer every alternate Monday, between 10 a.m. and 11 a.m., till such time the investigation is complete in all respects.

7. If the Investigating Officer/Arresting Officer/Trial Court feels that the investigation/trial is delayed on account of the appellant's conduct, it shall be open to the Investigating Officer/Arresting Officer/Trial Court to take appropriate steps in accordance with the law, including cancellation of bail.

8. Further, if the appellant possesses a passport, the same shall be surrendered before the Competent Authority/Court until the conclusion of the trial or directed otherwise.

9. The impugned judgment and order dated 03.02.2026 is set aside.

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

.....J.  
(SANJAY KAROL)

.....J.  
(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)

NEW DELHI;  
MAY 18, 2026.

ITEM NO.7

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  
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No.5989/2026  
[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated  
03.02.2026 in CRM-M No. 4638/2026 passed by the High Court of  
Punjab & Haryana at Chandigarh]

SUKHWINDER SINGH @ SUKHJINDER SINGH

PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

RESPONDENT(S)

(FOR ADMISSION, IA No. 102164/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.  
AND IA No. 102163/2026 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL  
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

Date : 18-05-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KAROL  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASHI

For Petitioner(s) :Mr. Arvind Singh Sangwan, Sr. Adv.  
Mr. Aniruddh Singh Shera, Adv.  
Ms. Vanya Gupta, AOR  
Ms. Monika Anand, Adv.  
Mr. Shantanu Singh Sangwan, Adv.  
Mr. Shivendra Singh, Adv.  
Ms. Sanjukta Das, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :Mr. Karan Sharma, AOR  
Mr. Mohit Siwach, Adv.

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following

O R D E R

1. Leave granted.
2. The appeal is allowed in terms of signed order.
3. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(RAJNI MUKHI)  
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(ANU BHALLA)  
COURT MASTER (NSH)

(Signed order is placed on the file)