

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

**CRM-M-35422-2022 (O&M)**

**Date of Decision: 09.09.2022**

Arshjot Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL**

Present: Mr. J.S.Thakur, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Ms. Swati Batra, DAG, Punjab,  
assisted by SI Jasbir Singh.

Mr. Amit Rana, Advocate, for the complainant.

**GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)**

1. The petitioner has approached this Court seeking grant of regular bail in respect of a case registered against him vide FIR No.25 dated 20.04.2022 at Police Station Mattewal, District Amritsar Rural, under Sections 307/323/452/506/148/149/120-B IPC & Sections 25/27 of the Arms Act.
2. The FIR was lodged at the instance of one Joga Singh, wherein it has been stated that he is the area in-charge to Aam Adami Party of Majitha circle. He had sought an information under the Right to Information Act from the office of BDPO regarding Panchayat Fund and MNREGA labour payments made in village Taharpur. Due to this, Baljit Kaur, who is Sarpanch of the village through Gurjit Singh, Arshjot Singh (petitioner) and Yadwinder Singh threatened the complainant with dire consequences if he did not compromise with the father of Arshjot Singh.

It has further been alleged that on 22.04.2022 the complainant along with

- his mother was present in the courtyard of his house. At about 5 p.m, Gurjit Singh along with Arshjot Singh armed with a revolver, Yadwinder Singh armed with a pistol entered into his house. Gurjit Singh raised a *lalkara* to catch hold of Joga Singh upon which all the accused gave beatings to complainant and his mother with butt of pistol and then Arshjot Singh and Yadwinder Singh fired at the complainant with an intention to kill him. However, the shot did not hit him. He immediately entered the room. Thereafter, on alarm being raised, the accused fled away along their weapons.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the FIR in question came to be lodged under some misunderstanding, which has now been resolved. It has further been submitted that even as per the FIR, though the petitioner is stated to be armed with pistol, but admittedly neither the complainant nor anybody else was ever injured. It has also been submitted that other co-accused had already been granted concession of either anticipatory bail or regular bail by this Court.
  4. Mr. Amit Rana, Advocate, puts in appearance on behalf of the complainant and filed Vakalatnama, which is taken on record. Learned counsel has endorsed the fact that the parties have amicably resolved their issues and that the complainant does not have any objection for grant of bail to the petitioner.
  5. Learned State counsel has, however, opposed the petition on the ground that since 8 empty cartridges were recovered, allegations virtually stand substantiated. Learned State counsel has informed that the petitioner as on date has been behind bars since the last about 2 months and that

challan already stands presented. It has also been informed that the petitioner is involved in 4 other cases.

6. This Court considered rival submissions.
7. Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case particularly that none from complainant party has sustained any gun-shot injury though shots are alleged to have been fired from close range and while also noticing that the matter is stated to have been amicably resolved amongst the parties and also that the co-accused had already been granted concession of either anticipatory bail or regular bail, the petition is accepted and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

**09.09.2022**

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**(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)**  
**JUDGE**

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