



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

CRM-M-8605-2025 (O&M)
Date of decision: 03.04.2025

Gurpreet Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present:- None for the petitioner.

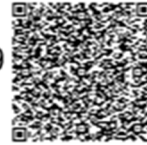
Mr. S.S.Chahal, AAG, Punjab for the respondent.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J.

Present petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (*for short* 'BNSS') for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner in FIR No.250 dated 22.11.2024 (P-1), under Sections 21(B) & 27-A of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (*for short* 'NDPS'), registered at Police Station Islamabad, District Police Commissionerate Amritsar.

(2) Allegations are that 9.87 grams of *Heroin*, along with drug money of ₹ 2200/-, was recovered from the possession of co-accused Lovedeep Singh @ Deepu; whereas 10.44 grams of *Heroin* was recovered from co-accused Ajaypal Singh @ Tika without any license or permit and

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petitioner has been nominated as an accused on the basis of disclosure made by aforesaid co-accused.

(3) Status report by way of an affidavit dated 29.03.2025 of Sh. Jaspal Singh, Assistant Commissioner of Police, Central, Amritsar, along with Annexure R-1, has been filed. The same is taken on record. Copy thereof supplied to the opposite side. Registry to tag the affidavit at appropriate place.

(4) Learned State Counsel, on instructions from the police official concerned acknowledged that petitioner was granted interim protection by this Court, vide order dated 14.02.2025 and in pursuance thereof, he has already joined the investigation; hence, his custodial interrogation is not required.

(5) Heard learned Counsel for the parties and perused the paper-book.

(6) It transpires that petitioner was granted interim protection by this Court, vide order dated 14.02.2025 and the same reads as under:-

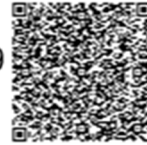
“Contends, inter alia, that alleged recoveries i.e. 9.87 grams & 10.44 grams of heroin (intermediate quantity) were effected from co-accused Lovedeep Singh @ Deepu and Ajaypal Singh @ Tika, respectively and petitioner has been nominated on the basis of the disclosure made by both co-accused.

Notice of motion.

At this stage, Mr.Kunwarbir Singh, Learned AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State; seeks time to have instructions; and/or to file written response in the matter.

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In the meanwhile, petitioner shall join investigation before the Investigating Officer; but he be not arrested till the next date of hearing.”

(7) It is duly acknowledged by learned State Counsel that in pursuance of the aforesaid order, petitioner has joined investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required.

(8) In view of the above, there is no justification to deny the concession of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner. Consequently, present petition is allowed; interim order dated 14.02.2025 is made absolute subject to the conditions as envisaged under Section 482 (2) of the BNSS.

(9) It is also made clear that petitioner shall fully co-operate with the Investigating Officer as and when called for further investigation.

(10) The above observations be not construed as an expression of opinion on merits of the case; rather confined only to decide the bail matter.

(11) It is also clarified that in case of any recurrence on the part of petitioner, State would be at liberty to move an appropriate application for recalling of this order.

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

3rd April, 2025
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(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No