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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH****CRM-M-17079-2025****Date of decision: 21.05.2025****DEEPAK****....Petitioner****Versus****STATE OF HARYANA****....Respondent****CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE AMARJOT BHATTI**

Present: Mr. Sandeep Gahlawat, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Nidhi Garg, AAG, Haryana.

AMARJOT BHATTI, J.

Petitioner has filed present 2nd petition under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 for grant of regular bail in FIR No.192, dated 01.06.2023, under Sections 304-B of IPC, registered at Police Station Julana, District Jind (Anneuxre P-1).

2. As per facts of the case, complainant Joni gave his statement that his sister Monika was married to Deepak on 04.12.2016. After sometime, his brother-in-law Deepak started harassing his sister on account of demand of dowry. He used to beat her and matter was reported at Police Station Meham. About 1 ½ months ago his sister had gone back to matrimonial home. On 01.06.2023, he received call from his brother Tony that at about 5.30 P.M. their sister Monika fell from the roof and died. Her husband told them that their sister slipped from the roof top. During inquiry, it was found that people were giving different version. With these allegations, matter was inquired and present FIR was registered.



3. Learned counsel for petitioner pointed out that earlier petitioner had filed regular bail application bearing CRM-M-20617-2024 which was dismissed as withdrawn vide order dated 08.01.2025 (Annexure P-10). Petitioner is behind the bars since 03.06.2023. The trial is going at a slow pace. During pendency of the trial, prosecution filed application to examine additional witness i.e. Sunita mother of the deceased victim. Copy of zimni order dated 01.10.2024 is produced on record. Reply to this application was filed and till date that application has not been disposed of. Petitioner is ready to abide by the terms of bail order. Therefore, it is submitted that his second regular bail application may be allowed.

4. Bail application is opposed by learned counsel representing State. Detailed status report has been filed through Registry. Learned counsel representing State pointed out that it is a case of unnatural death. Present petitioner is the husband of deceased victim. Copy of postmortem report of the victim is Annexure R-1, according to which she had suffered five injuries, as a result, she died. Even prior to this, she was illtreated in the matrimonial home and the matter was reported to the police. She was again taken to the matrimonial home recently when this occurrence took place. Regular bail application filed by petitioner is strongly opposed.

5. I have considered the arguments and have gone through the record. The allegations are serious in nature. Occurrence took place in the matrimonial home. Even prior to this, matrimonial dispute was going on. It is case of unnatural death of the victim by fall from roof top. Perusal of zimni orders indicates that at present 6 prosecution witnesses have been examined. There is one application filed on behalf of prosecution to examine additional witness which is still pending. Petitioner is behind the

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bars since 03.06.2023. Considering the gravity of offence, I am not inclined to grant regular bail to the petitioner and the same is accordingly declined.

6. Since, trial is going on at a slow pace, therefore, learned Additional Sessions Judge, Jind is directed to expedite the trial.

(AMARJOT BHATTI)
JUDGE

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| 1. Whether speaking/ reasoned | : | Yes /No |
| 2. Whether reportable | : | Yes /No |