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

CRM-M-24355-2024(O&M)

Date of Decision:10.02.2025

SAGAR @ BATLA

....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA

....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KARAMJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Virender Kumar, Advocate
for the applicant/petitioner.

KARAMJIT SINGH, J.

CRM-3788-2025

Disposed of being not pressed.

CRM-4725-2025

For the reasons given in the application, the same is allowed
and the main case is taken on board today itself.

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Prayer in the present petition is for grant of regular bail to
the petitioner in case having FIR No.0534 dated 28.11.2023 registered
under Sections 148, 149, 323, 324, 506 of IPC (Section 307 of IPC added
later on) at Police Station Taraori, District Karnal.

2. The allegations in nutshell are that on 26.11.2023, Ravinder



son of complainant-Ram Phal along with one Vijay went to barber shop where Ravinder was attacked with knife by Pankaj, Ravi @ Noni, Lucky @ Pintu and present petitioner along with 4-5 other unknown persons. During investigation, the petitioner was arrested.

3. Counsel appearing on behalf of petitioner, *inter alia*, submits that the petitioner is falsely implicated in the present case and is incarcerated for the last about 1 year and 1 month and is facing one another criminal case wherein he is enlarged on bail; that during trial, material witnesses namely Ram Phal, Ravinder and Vijay have failed to support the case of the prosecution and are declared hostile. Copies of their depositions are Annexure A-1, Annexure A-2 and Annexure A-3, which are ordered to be taken on record. It is further submitted that similarly situated co-accused Pankaj is already given concession of regular bail by this Court vide order dated 31.01.2025 having CRM-M-33022-2024. It is further submitted that in the given circumstances, no purpose is going to be served by keeping the petitioner in custody for any longer period.

4. Notice of motion.

5. Mr. Arjun Lakhanpal, Addl.A.G., Haryana accepts notice on behalf of the State and on instructions from Inspector Naseeb Singh while resisting the present petition submits that the petitioner is specifically named in the FIR and he caused injuries to Ravinder with the help of knife. However, the State counsel has not disputed the fact that

petitioner is incarcerated for the last about 1 year and 1 month and that during trial, injured Ravinder, Complainant-Ram Phal and eye-witness Vijay failed to support the case of prosecution which resulted into grant of regular bail to similarly situated co-accused Pankaj vide order dated 31.01.2025.

6. I have considered the submissions made by the counsel for the parties.
7. In view of the fact that all the key witnesses are declared hostile during trial as is apparent from Annexure A-1, Annexure A-2 and Annexure A-3 and further co-accused Pankaj is already enlarged on regular bail, no purpose is going to be served by keeping the petitioner in custody for any longer period.
8. In view of the above, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

10.02.2025

Priyanka Thakur

Whether speaking/reasoned

Whether reportable

(KARAMJIT SINGH)

JUDGE

Yes/No

Yes/No