

2025:PHHC:117173



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

CRM-M-39139-2024 (O&M)

Date of decision : 29.08.2025

Prabhdiyal Singh @ Nikka

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE

Present: Mr. Rahul Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ajitpal Singh Mander, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE (Oral)

1. The petitioner, who is in custody since 29.11.2022, has filed this petition for grant of regular bail in FIR No. 157 dated 28.11.2022, under Sections 392, 379-A, 379-B of IPC and Section 25 Arms Act (Sections 201, 411 IPC & Sections 54, 59 of Arms Act added later on), registered at Police Station, Ghanaur, District Patiala.

2. The petitioner is alleged, along with co-accused, with robbery in a bank.

3. Learned counsel for the State informs that not even a single witness has been examined despite the charge-sheet having been filed on 20.09.2024.

4. There is some prejudice caused to the petitioner on account of prolonged undertrial custody, but the same gets outweighed by the gravity of the offence, as daring daylight robbery was committed by the petitioner along with other co-accused, in a bank. It would, thus, be essential for the safety and security of the main witnesses to be examined, before the request for bail is considered.

5. However, the petitioner is always free to approach the Court, if the trial is further delayed. With the aforesaid liberty, the petition stands dismissed.

**(SHEEL NAGU)
CHIEF JUSTICE**

August 29, 2025
Ajay Prasher

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