

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

2025:PHHC:124351



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**CRM-M-36099-2025 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 10.09.2025.**

Maninder Singh @ Ganda

...Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent.

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SUKHVINDER KAUR

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Present: Mr. Geeteshwar Saini, Advocate and
Ms. Preety, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Navdeep Singh, DAG, Punjab.

SUKHVINDER KAUR, J. (Oral)

Present petition has been filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in FIR No.23 dated 07.03.2025, under Sections 21-B, 27-A/61/85 of NDPS Act and Section 111 of BNS, registered at Police Station Ramdas, District Amritsar Rural.

As per prosecution case, when ASI Jasbir Singh and other police officials were on patrolling duty, three persons on seeing the police party tried to run away and out of them one person tried to throw a transparent black polythene bag from right pocket of his lower, with his hand, ASI stopped his vehicle and apprehended the petitioner and others with 100 grams of heroin and Rs.5,000/- as drug money without any permit or licence. It was alleged that the petitioner used to supply the narcotics to the co-accused for further selling the same. In these circumstances, the aforesaid FIR was registered against the petitioner and other persons.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contended that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. The petitioner is in custody since 13.03.2025. Nothing is to be recovered from the petitioner. He urged that as trial of the case is likely to take time, therefore, the petitioner be granted concession of regular bail.

Notice was issued in this case on 16.07.2025 and status report was called from the State, which was filed on 27.08.2025 and the same is taken on record.

Learned State counsel has opposed the petition and submitted that allegations against the petitioner are serious in nature. During investigation, the petitioner and others were apprehended with 100 grams of heroin and Rs.5,000/- as drug money without any permit or licence and as such he is not entitled to the concession of regular bail.

Heard.

The petitioner was allegedly found to be in conscious possession of 100 grams of heroin and cash of Rs.5,000/-, which falls under the 'non commercial quantity'. It is a matter of trial, whether the amount of Rs.5,000/- allegedly recovered from the petitioner was drug money or not.

Challan in the present case has already been presented before the trial Court and charge in this case is yet to be framed against the petitioner and the other co-accused. As per the custody certificate, the petitioner is in custody since 06 months. Conclusion of trial is likely to take time, so no useful purpose would be served by further detaining the petitioner behind the bars.

Accordingly, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be admitted to regular bail, on furnishing adequate bail bonds

and surety bonds, to the satisfaction of concerned learned trial Judge/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate.

However, nothing observed herein above shall be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case. The observations recorded above are only for the purpose of deciding the present bail petition.

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

(SUKHVINDER KAUR)
JUDGE

10.09.2025.

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