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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-40335-2025
Date of decision: 28.11.2025

HARPREET SINGH ALIAS HAPPY MATTUPetitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB ...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR

Present : Mr. Malkiat Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Gurpreet Kaur Sarabha, AAG, Punjab.

YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR. J.(Oral)

1. Present petition under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 has been filed for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.33 dated 18.03.2024, under Sections 307, 324, 323, 326, 336, 295, 427, 452, 506, 148 and 149 of IPC and Sections 25,27,54, 59 of Arms Act, registered at Police Station Chattiwind, Amritsar.
2. Status report by way of affidavit of Yadwinder Singh, PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub-Division Attari, Amritsar (Rural) has been filed on behalf of respondent-State and the same is taken on record.
3. Present case was registered on the basis of statement given to the police by Kashmir Kaur with the allegations that on 17.03.2024 at about 7:15 pm, Manpreet Singh, armed with kirpan, Shamsher Singh, armed with an iron rod and Harjit Kaur and her husband Baba Jeevan Singh were standing in front of their



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house, who saw them coming and ran towards them. Harjit Kaur raised a *lalkara* to teach them a lesson for stopping them from parking their motorcycle in the street. Shamsheer Singh @ Shera attacked her son Akashdeep Singh with a dang on his head. Thereafter, Manpreet Singh @ Mannu hit her son Jagpreet Singh with a kirpan on his left arm near the elbow and when her husband cried for help, assailants went away. Thereafter, she went to the house of her brother but came to her house again in the evening alongwith her nephew Gopal Singh. At about 11:50 pm, Shamsheer Singh @ Shera, Harpreet Singh @ Happy (petitioner) armed with a pistol and datar, Amritpal Singh armed with a pistol and kohari and two unidentified young men armed with deadly weapons came to her house. Harpreet Singh @ Happy hit Gopal Singh on his head with an intention to kill him with the datar and blood started oozing from his head. Remaining accused also assaulted Gopal Singh with their respective weapons on his legs, arms, neck, wrist and they also damaged the household articles. When she raised an alarm and cried for help, all the assailants ran away from the spot. While going away, Harpreet Singh @ Happy fired from his pistol in the street. They took Gopal Singh to the hospital where he was admitted and is undergoing treatment.

4. I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel and have gone through the record.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner contended that a false version has been put-forth in the FIR and infact, it is the opposite party which had assaulted them and GD No.22 dated 24.05.2024 has also been registered against the complainant party at the instance of his brother namely Manpreet Singh @ Manu. His brother Manpreet Singh @ Manu had suffered grievous injuries on his head



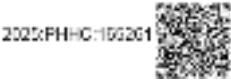
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and cross-version has been registered for the offences under Sections 323, 324, 326, 148 and 149 of IPC. Learned counsel further contended that true version has been suppressed by the opposite party and no explanation has been given regarding the injuries suffered by the brothers of the petitioner namely Shamsheer Singh @ Shera and Manpreet Singh @ Manu. Learned counsel next contended that all the accused have already been released on bail, vide orders dated 27.05.2024, 20.08.2024, 20.11.2024, 30.09.2024, 16.10.2024 and 19.11.2024. Petitioner is in custody since 22.09.2024. Challan has already been presented in the present case. As to who amongst the parties was the aggressor shall be the moot question during trial. The trial is likely to take a long time to conclude and further detention of the petitioner is not required and he may be released on bail.

6. On the other hand, learned State Counsel has opposed the bail and has sought for its dismissal in view of the gravity of the offence and the fact that petitioner is a habitual offender and is involved in 04 more cases.

7. Brother of the petitioner namely Manpreet Singh has suffered grievous injuries on his head and his other brother namely Shera has suffered simple injuries and GD No.22 dated 24.05.2024, has been registered against the complainant party, which is the cross-version. As to who amongst the parties was the aggressor shall be the moot question during trial. All the accused have already been released on bail. Challan has already been presented. The trial is likely to take a long time to conclude and further detention of the petitioner is thus not required and he deserves to be released on bail.

8. Having regard to the aforesaid factual position, but without commenting anything upon the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed



and petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned Trial Court concerned, on usual terms and conditions.

28.11.2025
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(YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned. : Yes/No
Whether Reportable. : Yes/No