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

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Date of Decision: 29.07.2025

Lakhwinder Singh @ Maninder

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present: Mr. Amrit Paul Nahar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Eklavya Darshi, DAG, Punjab.

Manisha Batra, J.(Oral)

1. Prayer in the present petition filed under Section 528 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (For short "BNSS") is for quashing of the order dated 17.03.2025 (Annexure P-3) passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Hoshiarpur, in case FIR No.13 dated 20.02.2024, registered under Section 22 of the NDPS Act, at Police Station Bullowal, District Hoshiarpur, whereby, the bail of the petitioner was cancelled and his bonds were ordered to be forfeited to the State due to his non-appearance and non-bailable warrants of arrest were issued against him.
2. It is *inter alia* submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that he could not appear on 17.03.2025 due to some misunderstanding about the next date of hearing. Even his counsel could not appear on that date. The petitioner is regularly appearing before the trial Court. It is submitted

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that the petitioner is ready and willing to join the proceedings before the learned trial Court and his absence was not intentional but due to the reasons mentioned above. Therefore, it is urged that the impugned order be set aside.

3. A perusal of the order dated 17.03.2025 reveals that the bail of the petitioner was cancelled due to his non-appearance on that date. Although, no illegality or infirmity is found in the impugned order, however, in view of the fact that his absence was not intentional and he is willing to join the proceedings before the learned trial Court and to abide by the terms and conditions imposed upon him and since it appears that it was not on account of any carelessness that he could not appear before the learned trial Court on 17.03.2205, therefore, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the petitioner to surrender before the learned trial Court on or before 21.08.2025, which is the date already fixed before it, subject to his furnishing fresh bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court.

4. A copy of this order be handed over to learned counsel for the petitioner under the signatures of Bench Secretary of this Court.

29.07.2025*D.Bansal***(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE**

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