

2025:PHHC:104854



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

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CRM M-42714 of 2025

Date of Decision: 12.08.2025

Harmandeep Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE N.S.SHEKHAWAT

Present : Mr. Subhash Ahuja, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. I.P.S. Sabharwal, DAG, Punjab.

N.S.SHEKHAWAT, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has filed the second petition under Section 483 of B.N.S.S., 2023 with a prayer to grant a regular bail in case FIR No.50 dated 06.11.2024 registered under Section 7 of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (As amended by PC (Amendment) Act, 2018) at Police Station Vigilance Bureau, Range Amritsar, District Amritsar.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the police had arrested Jagroop Singh, Class-IV employee, who was caught red handed while taking bribe. The petitioner had no concern with Jagroop Singh and has been falsely involved in the present case. Learned counsel further contends that the charge has been framed

against the petitioner on 08th August 2025. However, no witness has been examined so far. Learned counsel for the petitioner has further referred to the order dated 31.01.2025 (Annexure P-6) passed by this Court in CRM M-4795-2025, whereby, the concession of bail has been allowed to Jagroop Singh. Thus, the petitioner also deserves to be enlarged on bail.

3. On the other hand, learned State counsel has vehemently opposed the prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioner on the ground that there are serious allegations against the petitioner and the petitioner is not entitled for the concession of regular bail. However, he admits that the petitioner is not involved in other criminal case.

4. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.

5. In the present case, the petitioner is in custody for the last more than 09 months and no witness has been examined so far. Thus, there are no chances of early conclusion of the trial. Moreover, there is no evidence to indicate that the petitioner is in a position to influence the prosecution witnesses.

6. In view of the above, without commenting any further on the merits, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the

satisfaction of the learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate/CJM concerned.

12.08.2025
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(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

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