



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

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**CRM-M-46074-2025
Date of decision: 15.09.2025**

WILLIAM BITTU ALIAS BITTU

....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR

Present : Mr. Sahaj Punj, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Gorav Kathuria, DAG 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.68 dated 27.03.2025, under Section 21 (C) of NDPS Act, 1985 (Section 29 of NDPS Act, 1985 added later on), registered at Police Station Division No.8, District Police Commissionerate, Jalandhar.
2. Status report dated 14.09.2025 by way of affidavit of Paramjit Singh, PPS, Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar has been filed on behalf of respondent-State and the same is taken on record.
3. Brief facts of the prosecution case are that on 27.03.2025, police party headed by ASI Gurmeet Singh along with other Police officials was going towards Balle Balle farm at Reru Village road, Jalandhar, in connection with patrolling duty when they saw a person coming towards them on foot, but on seeing the police party, he got frightened and threw a polythene on the road side and tried to run away. However, he was apprehended by the police party and he disclosed his name as Gagan Batra @ Gagan and the polythene was found to be



containing 270 grams of heroin. The contraband was seized and on interrogation, he disclosed that he used to sell the contraband to petitioner and one Deepak Kumar. Petitioner and Deepak Kumar were arrested on 27.03.2025.

3. Upon notice, the State counsel has appeared and has opposed the bail. Both the parties have been heard and material placed on the file has been pursued.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner argued that petitioner has been nominated on the basis of disclosure statement suffered by the main accused namely Gagan Batra @ Gagan, who alleged that he used to sell the contraband to petitioner and one Deepak Kumar. No recovery has been effected from the petitioner and co-accused Deepak Kumar. Co-accused Deepak Kumar who was arrested on 27.03.2025 has already been released on regular bail by a Co-ordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 04.08.2025, passed in CRM-M-40716-2025. Case of the petitioner is identical to that of co-accused Deepak Kumar and he too is thus entitled to be released on bail on the ground of parity.

5. On the other hand, learned State counsel has opposed the bail and sought for its dismissal on account of gravity of the offence.

6. As per allegations, main co-accused Gagan Batra @ Gagan was found to be in possession of 270 grams of heroin and later on, he disclosed that he used to sell the contraband to present petitioner and one Deepak Kumar. Petitioner is in custody since 27.03.2022. Nothing has been recovered from the possession of the petitioner and he has been nominated as an accused in the disclosure statement suffered by main accused namely Gagan Batra @ Gagan, from whom the recovery was effected. Co-accused Deepak Kumar, whose case is identical to that of petitioner has already been released on regular bail by the Co-ordinate Bench of

this Court vide order dated 04.08.2025, passed in CRM-M-40716-2025 and petitioner too is thus entitled for bail on the ground of parity.

7. Having regard to the aforesaid factual position, but without commenting anything on the merits of the case, the bail application is allowed and petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned Trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned, on usual terms and conditions.

15.09.2025
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(YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR)
JUDGE

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