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

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CRM-M-62072-2025
Date of decision: 13.11.2025

VISHNU KUMAR ALIAS VISNU KUMARPetitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJABRespondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present: - Mr. P.K.S. Phoolka, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Mohit Kapoor, Senior DAG, Punjab.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

The instant first petition has been filed under Section 483 of The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, for the grant of regular bail in case bearing FIR No. 0072 dated 10.06.2025, registered under Section(s) 318(4), 3(5) of BNS, 2023 at Police Station Sangat, District Bathinda.

2. The facts of the present case are that, On the date of the incident, while the complainant was present at the bank around 3:00 p.m., two individuals entered the branch one appearing to be about 30 years old and the other approximately 65 years old. The younger individual presented a payment slip for ₹12,000 in the name of one Gurjant Singh, son of Elbel Singh, resident of Kutti Krishanpura. The complainant further stated that

earlier, on 26.11.2024, the same individuals had withdrawn ₹42,000 from the account of one Darsan Singh, son of Bachittar Singh, resident of Jassi Bagwali. It later came to light that Gurjant Singh had passed away about two years ago, and Darsan Singh had died about three years ago. It is further alleged that the aforesaid individuals, in connivance with their associates, identify deceased persons from different villages, obtain their Aadhaar cards, PAN cards, and voter identity cards under the pretext of helping the families secure compensation, and thereafter, after verifying the accounts of such deceased persons, fraudulently withdraw money from them. The complainant, with the assistance of the branch staff, apprehended both individuals. Upon inquiry, the younger person disclosed his name as Vishnu Kumar, son of Mohan Lal, resident of Janta Nagar, Street No. 1, Bathinda, while the elder person identified himself as Chamkaur Singh, son of Resham Singh, resident of Beant Nagar, Dhobiana Basti, Bathinda. They further disclosed that they were brought to the bank by another person driving a golden Toyota Corolla car bearing registration number DL 7CG-2397, who used to pay them for carrying out such fraudulent acts. However, said person managed to flee from the spot in the aforementioned vehicle. Accordingly, the complainant requested that appropriate legal action be initiated against the said individuals for fraudulently withdrawing pension funds belonging to deceased persons.

3. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner contends that, upon a consideration of the nature of allegations and the period of custody already undergone, the petitioner stands on the same footing as his co-accused, Chamkaur Singh, who has been granted the concession of regular bail vide order dated 15.10.2025 passed in CRM-M-51147 of 2025. It is thus

submitted that the case of the petitioner is at par with that of the co-accused.

4. Counsel for the respondent-State does not dispute the same.

5. I have heard learned counsel appearing on behalf of the respective parties.

6. In view of the facts noticed hereinabove, and taking into consideration that the co-accused, Chamkaur Singh, has already been granted the concession of regular bail vide order dated 15.10.2025, thus in order to maintain parity and treat the case of the present petitioner at par with that of the co-accused, I deem it appropriate to enlarge the petitioner on regular bail to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

7. The instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bail bond/surety bond to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

8. It is made clear that the petitioner shall not extend any threat and shall not influence any prosecution witnesses in any manner directly or indirectly.

9. The observation made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression on the merits of the case and the Trial Court shall decide the case on the basis of available material.

NOVEMBER 13, 2025

Vishal Sharma

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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