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

**CRM-M-1729-2025**

**Date of decision : 20.01.2025**

**Mangu Singh**

**.....Petitioner**

**versus**

**State of Punjab**

**..... Respondent**

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ**

Present :- Mr. Nikhil Vats, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. J.S. Arora, D.A.G., Punjab.

**RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)**

1. Present petition has been filed by the petitioner under Section 483 BNSS praying for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.144 dated 18.09.2023, under Sections 458, 325, 324 and 34 of IPC, registered at Police Station Jhunir, District Mansa.

2. Succinctly the facts of the case are that the FIR was lodged on the statement of Gurmail Singh. It was alleged that on 16.09.2023, when he went to sleep after dinner at about 9.30 pm, Mangu Singh (present petitioner) armed with stick and Sevak Singh, empty handed, entered in his house. Sevak Singh raised lalkara and Mangu Singh hit him with the stick below his left arm and elbow. He fell down and then Mangu Singh hit him again on his back. He raised lalkara and both the assailants escaped from there. He was taken to the hospital and thus, request was made to take legal action against the culprits. On registration of FIR, the investigation commenced. The petitioner was arrested on 16.04.2024. On completion of the investigation, the challan was presented. Thereafter, petitioner approached the Learned Additional Sessions Judge, Mansa praying for grant of bail, however, finding no merit, the same was declined after hearing both the sides by Learned Additional Sessions Judge,



Mansa vide order dated 30.07.2024. Aggrieved by the same, the petitioner approached this Court praying for grant of bail.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has vehemently contended that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. He submits that the petitioner and complainant both are from the same village. He submits that the allegations have been levelled against the petitioner due to the rivalry amongst the villagers. He submits that even otherwise the injuries alleged are not of serious nature and the petitioner has not been alleged to have given the same on the vital parts of body of the complainant. He submits that investigation is already complete. He submits that though the petitioner is involved in one more case, however, he is on bail. He prays for granting bail to the petitioner during trial.

4. Learned State counsel has opposed the submissions made by the counsel for the petitioner and submits that the petitioner has committed offence when complainant was at his home. He submits that the injury given by the petitioner was found to be grievous. He submits that investigation is already complete and challan is presented, however, charges are yet to be framed. He submits that petitioner is involved in one more case for the offence under Section 452 IPC, however, he is on bail in the said case.

5. After hearing counsel for the parties and perusing the record, it is deciphered from the facts of the case that the alleged occurrence has taken place on 16.09.2023, whereas the FIR was lodged 02 days thereafter i.e. on 18.09.2023. The petitioner was arrested on 16.04.2024 and since then the petitioner is behind bars. The investigation is already complete in the present case and the co-accused, namely, Sevak Singh is already on bail. Though the petitioner is involved in one more case, however, he is on bail in the said case.

6. The veracity of the allegations would be assessed only after

conclusion of the trial and on the appreciation of evidence to be led by both the parties before the trial Court. The trial of the case will take sufficiently long time. Thus, keeping in view the overall facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is of the opinion that learned counsel for the petitioner succeeds in making out a case for grant of regular bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate. Nothing said herein shall be treated as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

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( RAJESH BHARDWAJ )  
JUDGE

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