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

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Decided on :12.05.2026

Aslam Khan alias Anda alias Ikhlakh

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: Mr. Sumit Kalra, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Vinay Malhotra, DAG, Punjab.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (Oral)

1. Present petition has been filed under Section 483 of the BNSS, seeking regular bail in case FIR No. 217 dated 30.08.2023, under Sections 379-B(2) and 34 of Indian Penal Code, (Section 411 IPC added later on), registered at Police Station Sahnewal, District Ludhiana.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that there is an allegation regarding the snatching of motorcycle bearing registration No. PB-10-EM-4856 from complainant-Jitu Kumar. The said allegation has been levelled against a total of six accused persons, namely Sonu, Munish Anda (the present petitioner), Sandeep @ Shona, Nitin, and Dev.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that co-accused Sonu and Sandeep @ Shona have already been granted the concession of regular bail by this Court vide orders dated 24.07.2025 (P-

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4) and 11.09.2025 (P-5) passed in CRM-M-19713-2025 and CRM-M-49651-2025, respectively.

4. Counsel for the petitioner also submits that petitioner is in custody since 01.09.2023 and that, out of a total of 11 prosecution witnesses, only 02 witnesses have been examined till date. Therefore, trial is likely to take considerable time to conclude. On these grounds, learned counsel prays for the grant of regular bail to the petitioner.

5. Learned State counsel, while producing the custody certificate, confirms that petitioner has undergone a total period of incarceration of 02 years, 08 months, and 07 days. Learned State counsel further contends that the petitioner's involvement in several ongoing criminal proceedings indicates a pattern of alleged criminal conduct, thereby necessitating the continuation of his custody in order to prevent any possibility of tampering with evidence or influencing witnesses. Accordingly, he prays for the dismissal of the present petition.

6. In response to the contention regarding the pendency of other cases, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is already on bail in the remaining cases and has also been acquitted in one case, i.e., FIR No. 166 dated 11.08.2023, registered under Sections 379-B(2) and 34 IPC at Police Station Division No. 6, Industrial Area

7. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have carefully perused the paper-book, along with the documents appended thereto.

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8. Considering the fact that the petitioner is in custody since 01.09.2023 and has undergone incarceration for a period of more than 02 years and 08 months, and further considering that co-accused, namely Sonu and Sandeep @ Shona, have already been granted the concession of regular bail by this Court, petitioner is also entitled to the benefit of parity. Moreover, out of the total 11 prosecution witnesses, only 02 witnesses have been examined till date and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take considerable time. In such circumstances, the continued incarceration of the petitioner would serve no useful purpose.

Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, present petition is allowed. Petitioner is ordered to be released on bail, subject to his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/ Chief Judicial Magistrate/Illaq Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate concerned, if not required in any other case.

9. Any of the discussion done and recorded hereabove, shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the facts of the case. Therefore, trial Court is expected to decide the case by taking an independent view, on the basis of evidence available on record, as expeditiously as possible in accordance with law.

10. However, it is clarified that in the event petitioner is found, in future, to be directly involved in any similar criminal activity or in causing any assault, such fact shall immediately be brought to the notice of the concerned Trial Court, and the concession of bail granted by this Court shall be liable to be cancelled.



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11. Petition stands disposed of.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

12.05.2026
Rashmi

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