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

CRM-M-6274-2026

Date of decision : 09.02.2026

Sahil Masih

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present :- Mr. Aditya Anand, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Ramta Chowdhary, DAG, Punjab.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

1. Present petition has been filed praying for the grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case bearing FIR No.126 dated 27.06.2024, under Sections 379-B, 341, 34, 201 of IPC, 1860; Section 21 of NDPS Act, 1985 and Sections 238 & 111 of BNS, 2023 (added later on), registered at Police Station Kamboj, District Amritsar Rural.

2. Succinctly the facts of the case is that the FIR was lodged on the statement of the complainant, namely, Prem Bhatt. It was alleged that on 26.06.2024, he was coming on his motorcycle from Fatehgarh Churian Road via Bhaini Gill towards Pandori Warraich. At about 07:45 PM, when he reached near T-point near Nakha Wala Bagh, two young boys came from behind on a black colored Splendor motorcycle. They stopped him and the boy sitting pillion by showing knife and snatched his purse containing Rs.7,000/-. Thereafter, they fled on their motorcycle. It was alleged that he had been searching for them of his own and now he had come to know and fully confident that the young boys who snatched his money on 26.06.2024 were Sahil Masih (petitioner) and Sagar. Request



was made to take legal action against the accused persons. FIR got registered and investigation commenced. The petitioner was arrested on 27.06.2024. On completion of the investigation, the challan was presented. On framing of charges, trial commenced. He approached the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Amritsar for grant of bail. However, after hearing both the sides and finding no merit in the same, the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Amritsar declined the bail application vide order dated 19.07.2025. Thus, the petitioner is before this Court praying for the grant of bail by way of filing the present petition.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner, at the outset, prays for the grant of bail on the basis of parity with that of co-accused Sagar. He has drawn the attention of this Court to the order passed by this Court in CRM-M-63983-2025 dated 10.12.2025 whereby co-accused of the petitioner, namely, Sagar has been granted the concession of regular bail. He has submitted that case of the petitioner is at par with the co-accused, who has been granted bail by this Court. He submits that on the basis of the parity, the petitioner deserves to be granted bail as case of the petitioner is similar to that of the co-accused, who has already been granted bail by this Court.

4. Per contra, learned State counsel has opposed the submissions made by counsel for the petitioner. However, she has endorsed the fact that case of the petitioner is at par with co-accused, namely, Sagar, who has already been granted bail by this Court. She has produced custody certificate of petitioner, today in the Court, which is taken on record.

5. After hearing learned counsel for the parties and perusing the record, it is deciphered that the petitioner is behind bars since the date of

his arrest. The custody certificate produced would show that petitioner has suffered incarceration of 01 year, 07 months and 05 days as on 07.02.2026. It further reflects that the petitioner is involved in 03 more cases, out of which in one case, he is on bail and in two cases, he has been acquitted. Admittedly, co-accused of the petitioner, namely, Sagar has already been granted bail by this Court vide order dated 10.12.2025.

5. 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. Keeping in view the arguments raised by both the sides and perusing the record, this Court is of the opinion that learned counsel for the petitioner succeeds in making out a case for grant of regular bail on the basis of parity with co-accused, Sagar who has already been granted regular bail by this Court vide order dated 10.12.2025 passed in CRM-M-63983-2025. 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.

09.02.2026
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(**RAJESH BHARDWAJ**)
JUDGE

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