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

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Date of decision : 30.04.2026

Gagandeep Singh @ Gagan

..... Petitioner

V/S

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE AMARJOT BHATTI

Present: Mr. S.S.Sandhu, Advocate for petitioner.

Mr. Gurpartap Singh, AAG, Punjab.

AMARJOT BHATTI J. (ORAL)

1. Petitioner – Gagandeep Singh @ Gagan has filed petition under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 for grant of regular bail in FIR No.61 dated 11.04.2025, under Sections 22C-61-85 of NDPS Act, registered at Police Station Shahkot, District Jalandhar Rural (Annexure P-1).
2. As per the facts of the case, on 11.03.2025 ASI Boota Ram along with the police party was going on routine patrolling in a government vehicle. When they reached Gobind Nagar Malsian, they saw a Hindu gentleman who on seeing the police party turned back. On the basis of suspicion, he was apprehended. He disclosed his name as Gagandeep Singh @ Gagan. His search was conducted as per the rules and from his possession 53 loose intoxicant tablets colour light orange were recovered and were taken into police possession. During investigation, the said tablets were sent to Forensic Science Laboratory, SAS Nagar and as per the report, each tablet weighed 104.5 mg.

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and on analysis it contained Etizolam. The said recovery fell in commercial quantity.

3. Learned counsel for petitioner argued that allegations levelled against the petitioner are false. He was granted interim bail by learned Special Court, Jalandhar vide order dated 21.05.2025 (Annexure P-3). The report of FSL was received and finally, the bail application was dismissed vide order dated 04.12.2025 (Annexure P-4). Challan is already presented. Till date no witness has been examined. Trial in this case may take long time. Petitioner is ready to abide by the terms of bail order. Therefore, his regular bail petition may be allowed.

4. Learned counsel representing State opposed the bail petition. The facts narrated in the FIR are confirmed. It is pointed out that as per FSL report (Annexure R-1), the said tablets contained Etizolam and the recovery falls in commercial quantity. The challan was presented on 14.08.2025, charges are framed on 18.11.2025 and now the prosecution evidence is to be recorded. It is further pointed out that petitioner is involved in FIR No.139 dated 08.08.2021, under Section 307, 353, 186, 332, 323, 427, 506, 148, 149 of IPC and Section 3, 4 of Damage to Public Property Act, registered at Police Station Shahkot, Jalandhar (Rural) and another FIR No.59 dated 10.04.2025, under Section 22, 29 of NDPS Act, registered at Police Station Shahkot, Jalandhar (Rural) and in both the cases, he is under trial.

5. I have considered the aforesaid factual position. The trial in this case is at initial stage. After framing of charges on 18.11.2025, prosecution evidence is yet to be started. It is a case of recovery of commercial quantity of contraband as referred above. Present petitioner is having criminal antecedents.

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Considering the stringent provisions of Section 37 of NDPS Act as well as aforesaid factual position, I do not find a fit case for grant of regular bail and the same is accordingly declined.

6. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, stand disposed of accordingly as well.

(AMARJOT BHATTI)
JUDGE

30.04.2026.*Sunil Devi*

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