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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Decided on : 30.03.2026

Satnam Singh

. . . Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Haryana

. . . Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present : Mr. Ranwant Singh Sangha, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Amish Sharma, AAG Haryana

Mr. Vishal Sharda, Advocate
for the complainant

SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (Oral)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 439 Cr.P.C.), for grant of regular bail to the petitioner, during the pendency of trial, who has been booked in a criminal case arising out of First Information Report, as detailed hereunder:-

Name of Petitioner(s)	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Satnam Singh	365	26.08.2025	109(1), 111(2)(B), 308(4), 61(2), 238(C) of BNS and Sections 24, 54, 59 of the Arms Act	Ladwa	Kurukshetra, Haryana

2. After hearing the petitioner's counsel on 13.02.2026, the following
was recorded by this Court:



“(i) xx xx xx xx

(ii) *As per allegations, the FIR in the present case was got registered at the instance of complainant-Amandeep, he has a liquor shop at Indri Chowk Ladwa, and after murder of his friend Shantanu, he had been receiving extortion and life threats, from foreign numbers. Due to the threats, complainant-Amandeep was provided security guards to protect his life. On 26.08.2025, one unknown person, reached on the shop and did show a pistol like weapon and pointed a pistol like weapon towards employees sitting in the liquor shop, with an intention to kill. When the Constable-Naveen (Security Guard) and another one Ravi Chand Upadhyay were apprised of the situation, they came outside and thereafter chased the persons, however, he succeeded in fleeing.*

During the course of investigation, some more facts were surfaced that petitioner is father of one accused Lovepreet, who is involved in number of cases and at some point of time, one co-accused Harvinder Singh, who is a shooter was provided shelter by the present petitioner and even petitioner's son Lovepreet had sent him at the shop to terrorize complainant.

(iii) *Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that the allegations are false and petitioner has no connection with the crime as alleged by the complainant.*

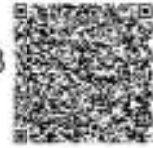
(iv) *Notice of motion.*

(v) *On asking of the Court, Mr. Pawan Kumar Jhanda, Sr. DAG Haryana, who is present in the Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State and informs that the charges were framed on 02.02.2026 and the next date fixed for recording of the evidence before the Court below is 09.03.2026.*

(vi) *Mr. Vishal Sharda, puts in appearance on behalf of the complainant and filed his Vakalatnama.*

(vii) *List again on 30.03.2026.*

(viii) *Meanwhile, trial Court would record the statement of the complainant and the other eye witnesses.*

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3. The trial Court has forwarded copy of letter dated 25.03.2026 with the report that the material witnesses PW-2 and PW-3 has been examined. Copies of the statements have also been appended.

4. Referring to the statements of the material witnesses, learned counsel for the petitioner argues that no material role has been stated even by the witnesses, while appearing in the witnesses box against the petitioner, therefore, the allegation against the petitioner, which is yet to be considered by the trial Court at final stage would be whether petitioner provided any shelter to the main accused or not.

5. The contention addressed by petitioner's counsel is not much disputed even by learned State counsel as well as counsel for the complainant. However, apprehends that petitioner if once released on bail, he may make attempt to flee from the country and that may result prolonging of proceedings of the trial Court.

6. This Court heard the submissions addressed by learned counsel for the parties and has carefully perused the record available before it.

7. In view of the totality of circumstances stated here above and the fact that once no serious role has been assigned by the witnesses, who have appeared before the Court and allegation of harbouring is yet to be finalized at final stage by the trial Court, I do not find any substantial reason to continue the detention of the petitioner inside jail any longer. Looking at the allegations against the petitioner and total incarceration period of about 08 months, this Court deems it appropriate to consider the plea of bail of the petitioner.

8. Consequently, prayer made in the 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/



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Illaqa Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate concerned, if not required in any other case.

9. However, it is clarified that petitioner shall not leave the country without permission of the trial Court, where the proceeding are going on and shall surrender the passport, if not already surrendered before the Court immediately.

10. Needless to observe that the petitioner shall not extend any threat and shall not influence any prosecution witness in any manner directly or indirectly.

11. The observation made here-in-above shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the facts of the case and the Trial Court is expected to decide the case on the basis of complete evidence available on record.

12. It is further made clear that if, in future, petitioner is directly found indulged in similar kind of activities, this order shall be deemed to be cancelled.

13. Petition stands disposed of.

Pending misc. application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

March 30, 2026

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

**(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE**