



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

**CRM-M No.11157 of 2026  
Date of Decision: 30.03.2026  
Date of Uploading: 30.03.2026**

Chetan

.....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Haryana

.....Respondent.

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL**

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Present:- Mr. Yashpal Thakur, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Ms. Priyanka Sadar, Sr. DAG, Haryana.

**SUMEET GOEL, J.(Oral)**

Present petition has been filed under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') (old Section 439 of Cr.P.C.) for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.0227 dated 23.08.2025 under Sections 61(2) and 103(1) of the BNS, registered at Police Station HSIIDC Bari, District Sonipat.

2. The gravamen of allegations against the petitioner is that he has hatched a criminal conspiracy with co-accused Anita to commit murder of her mother-in-law, namely, Kitabo Devi and in pursuance of said criminal conspiracy, co-accused-Anita had committed murder of Kitabo Devi by inflicting injuries on her person with the help of a wooden *Danda*.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the

petitioner is in custody since 04.09.2025. Learned counsel has further submitted that the petitioner has falsely been implicated into the FIR in question. Learned counsel has further submitted that assuming *arguendo*, the prosecution version is taken to be correct, the evidence available against the petitioner is in the shape of his own disclosure statement and call-details record of co-accused, namely, Anita & even if the same is believed, the prosecution is not ascribed any active role into the murder. Learned counsel has further submitted that, even as per the prosecution case, the petitioner was not present at the spot when the murder took place. Learned counsel has submitted that the petitioner is a resident of District Palwal, Haryana, whereas the murder in question is stated to have taken place in District Sonipat, Haryana. Learned counsel has further submitted that the petitioner is a man of clean antecedents. Thus, regular bail is prayed for.

4. Learned State counsel has filed the status-report by way of affidavit of Rishi Kant, HPS, Assistant Commissioner of Police, Ganaur, District Sonipat in Court today. The same is taken on record. Raising submissions in tandem with the said status-report, learned State counsel has opposed the present petition by arguing that the allegations raised are serious in nature and thus the petitioner does not deserve the concession of the regular bail. Learned State counsel seeks to place on record custody certificate dated 10.03.2026 in Court, which is taken on record.

5. I have heard counsel for the parties and have gone through the available records of the case.

6. The petitioner was arrested on 04.09.2025 whereinafter investigation was carried out and Challan *qua* him was presented on 23.11.2025. Total 26 prosecution witnesses have been cited and it is the conceded case before this Court that none has been examined till date. The rival contentions raised at Bar give rise to debatable issues shall be ratiocinated upon during the course of trial. This Court does not deem it appropriate to delve deep into these rival contentions, at this stage, lest it may prejudice the trial. Nothing tangible has been brought forward to indicate the likelihood of the petitioner absconding from the process of justice or interfering with the prosecution evidence.

6.1. As per custody certificate dated 10.03.2026 filed by the learned State counsel, the petitioner has already suffered incarceration for a period of 06 months and 07 days & is stated to be not involved in any other case/FIR.

Suffice to say, further detention of the petitioner as an undertrial is not warranted in the facts and circumstances of the case.

7. In view of above, the present petition is allowed. Petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Ld. concerned CJM/Duty Magistrate. However, in addition to conditions that may be imposed by the concerned CJM/Duty Magistrate, the petitioner shall remain bound by the following conditions:-

- (i) The petitioner shall not mis-use the liberty granted.
- (ii) The petitioner shall not tamper with any evidence, oral or documentary, during the trial.
- (iii) The petitioner shall not absent himself on any date before the trial.
- (iv) The petitioner shall not commit any offence while on

bail.

- (v) The petitioner shall deposit his passport, if any, with the trial Court.
- (vi) The petitioner shall give his cell-phone number to the Investigating Officer/SHO of concerned Police Station and shall not change his cell-phone number without prior permission of the trial Court/Illaqa Magistrate.
- (vii) The petitioner shall not in any manner try to delay the trial.

8. In case of breach of any of the aforesaid conditions and those which may be imposed by concerned CJM/Duty Magistrate as directed hereinabove or upon showing any other sufficient cause, the State/complainant shall be at liberty to move cancellation of bail of the petitioner.

9. Ordered accordingly.

10. Nothing said hereinabove shall be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

**March 30, 2026**  
Yag Dutt

**(SUMEET GOEL)**  
**JUDGE**

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