



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

**CRM-M-16830-2026**

**Date of Decision: 18.05.2026**

**RAHUL @ KADDU**

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

**STATE OF PUNJAB**

...Respondent(s)

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI**

Present: Mr. Rakesh Gupta, Advocate  
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. M.S. Toor, AAG, Punjab.

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**JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J. (Oral)**

The prayer in the present petition under Section 483 BNSS, 2023 is for the grant of regular bail in case bearing FIR No.78 dated 26.05.2025 registered under Sections 109, 118(1), 118(2), 115(2), 191(3), 190, 351(1), 351(3) and 61(2) of BNS and Sections 25/54/59 of Arms Act, at Police Station Sadar, Patiala, District Patiala.

2. The present FIR came to be registered at the instance of Dalwinder Singh which reads as under:-

*“Statement of Dalwinder Singh son of Gurmail Singh resident of village Dein Kalan Police Station Sadar Patiala age about 55 years mobile number 88470-63335. Stated that I am a resident of the above address and work as a farmer. On 24-05-2025 in the evening, I was returning home on my tractor after farming at around 9/9:15 PM from my fields. Near my house, on the side of the village road, one Thar and one Swift car were parked. When I crossed them and parked my tractor outside my house gate and honked, my wife Harpreet Kaur opened the gate. Then one Thar car and one Swift car came from behind and parked their vehicles in front of mine. 7/8 people got out of them, who had rods and swords in their hands. When I started taking the tractor inside my house, the 7/8 people surrounded me while I was sitting on the tractor and attacked me with rods and swords on my arms. I got down from the tractor to save myself, then the said persons threw*

*me on the road and I started shouting for help loudly. In the meantime, my wife Harpreet Kaur and my children ran out of the house. When my wife tried to save me, the unknown persons also hit her with a rod, and when my children came forward to save me, one person among them took out a revolver from his waist and said that you should stand here, otherwise you will be killed. The said persons hit both my arms with swords and rods, and one person hit the back of my head with a rod, and my wife Harpreet Kaur's left arm with a rod, which broke her left arm. When my wife and I shouted, people slowly started gathering, then certain person beat me up and said that Tajinder singh fauji had sent us to come after work while going, a certain person went to the back of my tractor. The gathering grew bigger. The unknown person sat in the buses and left. I do not know the names of the people who beat me up, but I can identify them when I come across them. The action be taken against unknown person read the written and heard it. It is correct, Davinder singh Sd/-."*

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has not been named in the FIR but only in the disclosure statement of one Tejinder Singh Fauji (granted bail vide order dated 13.05.2026 passed by the Additional Sessions Judge, Patiala). As the petitioner is in custody since 14.06.2025 but none of the 29 prosecution witnesses has been examined so far, the trial of the present case is not likely to be concluded anytime soon and therefore, he is entitled to the concession of bail particularly, when two other similarly situated co-accused namely Vipul Kumar alias Bittu and Sukhchain Singh alias Sukhi have been granted the similar concession by this Court vide orders dated 11.03.2026.

4. The learned counsel for the State, on the other hand, has filed a short report dated 16.05.2026, which is taken on record. While referring to the said reply, he contends that the petitioner has been named in the disclosure statement of Tejinder Singh Fouji. Recovery of one kirpan has been effected from him. He is an accused in three other cases. Therefore, he is not entitled to the concession of bail as prayed

the concession of bail by the Trial Court and two of the similarly situated co-accused namely Vipul Kumar alias Bittu and Sukhchain Singh alias Sukhi have been granted the concession of bail by this Court, that the petitioner is in custody since 14.06.2025 and that none of the 29 prosecution witnesses has been examined so far.

5. I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

6. Admittedly, the present petitioner has not been named in the FIR but came to be nominated as an accused during investigation. He is in custody since 14.06.2025 but none of the 29 prosecution witnesses has been examined so far. Therefore, the Trial of the present case is not likely to be concluded anytime soon. In this situation the further incarceration of the petitioner is not required, moreso, when three co-accused have been granted the concession of bail.

7. Thus without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and petitioner-Rahul alias Kaddu is ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned CJM/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

8. The petitioner (or anyone on his behalf) shall prepare an FDR in the sum of Rs.50,000/- and deposit the same with the Trial Court. The same would be liable to be forfeited as per law in case of the absence of the petitioner from trial without sufficient cause.

9. If the petitioner or his family members/associates make any attempt to contact/threaten/intimidate the witnesses in the present case, the State would be at liberty to move an application for cancellation of bail granted vide this order.

10. The petitioners shall appear before the police station concerned on the first Monday of every month till the conclusion of the trial and inform in writing each time that they are not involved in any other crime other than the present case.
11. The petition stands disposed of.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)  
JUDGE

May 18, 2026

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