



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

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CRM-M-20659-2026 (O&M)
Date of decision: 24.04.2026

Sandeep Singh @ Shippa

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : Mr. Rajesh Nain, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr. Manipal Singh Atwal, DAG Punjab

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer in the present petition filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023, is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.5 dated 07.01.2025, registered at Police Station Lehra, District Sangrur, under Sections 127(6) BNS and Sections 103(1), 61(2), 310(3) and 238 BNS (added later on). (corresponding Section 346 IPC and Sections 302, 120-B, 396 and 201 IPC (added later on).

2. Learned counsel contend that the petitioner has been in custody for 1 year and more than 3 months. He alleges false implication. The allegations levelled by the complainant are that the petitioner had given some poisonous material/intoxicant to eat, drink or inject to his son (since deceased), however, as per the medical report reproduced in para 6 of the status report dated 02.11.2025, filed in the petition of co-accused bearing CRM-M-46534-2025, by way of affidavit of the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Lehra, District Sangrur, no poisonous substance was found and cause of death was asphyxia as a result of aspiration of food particles. Further that, co-accused Jatinder Singh alias Happy and Amandeep Singh alias Amna have since been



granted bail by this Court, vide order Annexure P-4, after being in custody 1 year, 2 months and 5 days and 1 year, 1 month and 24 days, respectively. Charges have been framed on 15.10.2025, however none out of 25 PWs has been examined. The petitioner is not involved in any other case.

3. Learned State counsel opposes bail on the ground that there are specific allegations against the petitioner by the complainant with regard to administering poisonous substance to cause death of his son. However, he is unable to controvert the submissions with regard to stage of the case, the petitioner being not involved in any other case and the co-accused having been released on bail.

4. Heard.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, in particular that the petitioner is in custody for the last 1 year, 3 months and 10 days; not involved in any other case; co-accused are on bail; charges stand framed on 15.10.2025; prosecution evidence has to commence; in all there are 25 PWs; the trial is likely to take a considerable time, further incarceration of the petitioner would be violative of his right enshrined under Article 21 of the Constitution of India, the present petition is allowed.

6. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail, subject to furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned, if not required in any other case and shall abide by the following conditions:-

- (i) The petitioner will not tamper with the evidence during the trial.
- (ii) The petitioner will not pressurize/ intimidate the prosecution witnesses.
- (iii) The petitioner will appear before the trial Court on



each and every date fixed, unless is exempted by a specific order of Court.

- (iv) The petitioner shall not commit an offence similar to the offence of which, he is an accused, or for commission of which he is suspected of.
- (v) The petitioner shall not directly or indirectly coerce, induce, threaten or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him/ her from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer or tamper with the evidence in any manner.
- (vi) The petitioner shall not in any manner misuse his liberty.
- (vii) The petitioner shall furnish his address and mobile number by way of an affidavit to the trial Court and not change the same till conclusion of trial and if for any reasons, he seeks to change either of the aforesaid, it shall be done only with prior information to the learned trial Court.
- (viii) The petitioner shall not leave the country without prior permission of the trial Court.
- (ix) The trial Court/Duty Magistrate may impose any other condition, as deemed appropriate while releasing the petitioner.

7. It is made abundantly clear that in case there is any breach of the aforesaid conditions, the State shall be at liberty to seek cancellation of bail as granted to the petitioner by this order.

8. In view of the above, it is clarified that the observations made herein above are limited for the purpose of present proceedings and would not be construed as any opinion on the merits of the case and the trial would proceed independently of the aforesaid observations.

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

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