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Date of decision: 08.04.2026

LOVEPREET SINGH ALIAS LAVI

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. A.S. Barnala, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Raj Karan Singh, AAG, Punjab.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J (ORAL)

Prayer in the present petition is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in a case FIR No.83 dated 06.12.2024 (Annexure P-1), registered under Sections 109, 118(1), 115(2), 126(2), 351(2) and 61(2) of BNS, 2023, at Police Station Mehal Kalan, District Barnala.

2. Succinctly, facts of the case are that the FIR was registered on the statement of Nachattar Singh on the allegations that on 05.12.2024 at about 08.30 AM, his son Gurpreet Singh had gone to throw cow-dung on motor-cycle cart in the fields situated on the road from Nihaluwal to Pandori road chowk to Kutwa road. When his son Gurpreet Singh was returning towards village after throwing the cow-dung in the fields and turned towards village from the chowk, Lovepreet Singh (petitioner), Charanjit Singh @ Chandi and one unknown person came on motorcycle from the front side. Lovepreet Singh armed with Kirpan, Charanjit Singh @ Chandi and unknown person armed with iron rods surrounded his son.

His son while raising the alarm, ran towards the complainant and Pritpal



Singh. In the meantime, Jarnail Singh also came out of his house on hearing the voice. These persons chased Gurpreet Singh and Lovepreet Singh gave sword blow, with the intention to kill him, on his head and his son fell on the road and became unconscious. While his son was lying, Charanjit Singh and unknown person also inflicted injuries with iron rods on him with the intention to kill him. When he along with Pritpal Singh and Jarnail Singh raised the alarm and came forward to rescue his son Gurpreet Singh, all the assailants ran away on the motorcycle along with their respective weapons while threatening them. Thereafter, he brought his son to Civil Hospital, Mehal Kalan but due to severe injuries suffered by him, he was referred to higher centre and he got his son admitted at DMC, Ludhiana. Thus, request was made to take legal action against the accused person. On the registration of the FIR, the investigation commenced. During investigation, the petitioner was arrested on 17.12.2024. The petitioner approached the Court of learned Sessions Judge, Barnala, praying for grant of regular bail. However, after hearing both the sides, the learned trial Court finding no merit in the same, dismissed the bail application filed by the petitioner vide order dated 09.04.2025. Hence, being aggrieved, the petitioner is before this Court by way of filing the present petition for grant of concession of regular bail.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submits that as per the case of the prosecution, the petitioner is alleged to have given sword blow on the head of Gurpreet Singh. It is contended that the alleged version is not even medically corroborated. He contends that the petitioner is behind



bars since 17.12.2024. He further submits that the petitioner has no criminal antecedents and the material witness i.e. complainant and the injured-Gurpreet Singh have been examined. Thus, there is no probability of the petitioner influencing the material witnesses. He further submits that the co-accused have already been granted the anticipatory bail by this Court. He, thus, submits that in the overall facts and circumstances, the petitioner deserves to be granted bail.

4. *Per contra*, learned State counsel has vehemently opposed the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner and submits that the case of the petitioner is distinguishable from the co-accused. He contends that the petitioner is the main accused, who caused injuries with the sword on the head of Gurpreet Singh. The case of the prosecution is duly medically corroborated. Learned State counsel on instructions from the Investigating officer submits that both the complainant and injured have already been examined and they have supported the case of the prosecution. Out of total 22 prosecution witnesses, only 02 have been examined. He has placed on record custody certificate, which is taken on record.

5. After hearing counsel for the parties and perusing the record, it is deciphered that the petitioner is alleged to have given one sword blow on the head of the injured-Gurpreet Singh. Both complainant and injured Gurpreet Singh have been examined and out of total 22, 02 prosecution witnesses have been examined till date. The custody certificate produced would show that the petitioner has suffered incarceration of 01 year 03 months and 21 days as on 07.04.2026. He further submits that he has no criminal antecedents and the injured has been examined.



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6. The veracity of the allegations would be assessed only after the conclusion of the trial and on the appreciation of evidence to be led by both the parties before the trial Court. The trial of the case will take sufficient long time. Keeping in view the arguments raised by both the sides and perusing the record, this Court is of the opinion that learned counsel for the petitioner succeeds in making out a case for grant of regular bail to the petitioner.

7. Accordingly, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on her furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

8. Nothing said herein shall be treated as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

08.04.2026
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(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

- 1. Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes /No
- 2. Whether reportable : Yes /No