

2026:PHHC:079390



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

218(2 cases)

Date of decision: 20.05.2026

CRM-M-22025-2026

SUBHASH CHANDER V/S STATE OF HARYANA

CRM-M-22517-2026

NIKHIL KUMAR V/S STATE OF HARYANA

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : Mr. Vikas Bishnoi, Advocate for
the petitioner in CRM-M-22025-2026.

Mr. Navjit Singh, Advocate,
for the petitioner in CRM-M-22517-2026.

Mr. Gautam Kaile, DAG, Haryana.

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer in the present petitions filed under Section 483 BNSS is for grant of regular bail to the petitioners in case FIR No.185 dated 12.05.2025, registered at Police Station City Fatehabad, District Fatehabad, under Sections 61(2), 318(4), 316(2) BNS (corresponding Sections 120-B, 420 and 406 IPC) Section 3(2) of the HPIDFE Act, 2013 and Section 22 of BUDS Act, 2019.

2. Learned counsel contend that the petitioners have been in custody for 4 months and 11 days. They were working as Branch Managers under the same Cooperative Society, while posted at different places. They have not received any amount in their account. It is co-accused Ravi, who used to collect the same from the customer and deposit in the account of the Society. The offences are triable by the Magistrate.

Charges have been framed on 23.03.2026, however none out of 41 PWs has been examined. They are not involved in any other case.

3. Learned State counsel opposes the bail on the ground that there are specific allegations against the petitioners of having induced the complainant to invest money in the Society, assuring high returns. However, he is unable to controvert the submissions with regard to stage of the case and the petitioners being not involved in any other case.

4. Heard.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the submissions made on behalf of the petitioner, in particular they being in custody for the last 4 months and 11 days; not involved in any other case; it is a case of magisterial trial; charges stand framed on 23.03.2026; prosecution evidence has to commence; in all there are 41 PWs; the trial is likely to take a considerable time and further incarceration of the petitioners would be violative of their right enshrined under Article 21 of the Constitution of India, thus the present petitions are allowed.

6. The petitioners are ordered to be released on regular bail on their furnishing requisite bail bond/surety bond to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

7. It is made abundantly clear that in case there is any breach of the conditions imposed by the Court concerned, 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.

9. Photocopy of this order be placed on the connected file(s).

20.05.2026
parveen kumar

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

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