

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

2026:PHHC:069132



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CRM-M-23678-2026

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Rajinder Singh @ Goldy

....Petitioner

V/s

U.T. Chandigarh

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. Anuj Chauhan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Varun Baanth, APP, U.T. Chandigarh.

SUMEET GOEL, J. (ORAL)

1. Present petition has been filed under Section 483 of BNSS 2023 for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case bearing FIR No. 20 dated 08.03.2025, under Sections 21 and 29 of NDPS Act and Sections 25-54-59 of the Arms Act, registered at Police Station Sector- 49, Chandigarh.
2. The gravamen of the FIR in question is that the petitioner is an accused of being involved in an FIR pertaining to NDPS Act involving alleged recovery of 50 grams of Heroin from co-accused, namely, Narinder Kumar. On the basis of disclosure of said co-accused, the co-accused Deepak Thapa has been nominated in this case, who further, got recovered an amount of Rs.4.40 lakhs as drug money apart from one country made pistol with one live cartridge. Thereafter, the petitioner (herein) Rajinder @ Goldy was arrested, on the basis of disclosure of the said co-accused

namely Deepak Thapa and from one country made pistol along with one magazine was recovered from the petitioner. Another co-accused, namely, Dharminder Singh was arrested, who got recovered 140 grams (Racemorphan) apart from Rs.50,000/- as drug money. Thereafter, other co-accused were also arrested, in this case.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is similarly placed as the co-accused namely Deepak Thapa, who has been afforded the concession of regular bail by the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide order dated 13.04.2026 passed in ***SLP (Crl.) No.2167 of 2026*** (Annexure P-4). Learned counsel has further submitted that the petitioner was arrested *qua* the FIR in question on 18.03.2025 and is in continuous custody since then. Learned counsel has urged that the State is seeking the custody of the petitioner to be barely 1 month and 24 days on the ground that the petitioner stands arrested in another FIR. Thus, regular bail is prayed for.

4. Learned APP appearing for respondent-U.T. Chandigarh has opposed the grant of bail to the petitioner by arguing that the allegations raised are serious in nature and, thus, the petitioner does not deserve the concession of regular bail. He has further urged that the petitioner is not at parity with co-accused namely Deepak Thapa for the cause that he has only undergone only 1 month and 24 days in the present FIR. However, on a pointed query put up by this Court, it is not denied by the State counsel that the petitioner was arrested on 18.03.2025 *qua* the FIR in question. Learned State counsel has further urged that the petitioner has also antecedents. He seeks to place on record custody certificate dated 03.05.2026 in Court,

which is taken on record. Thus, dismissal of the petition in hand is entreated for.

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

6. Having heard learned counsel for the rival parties and upon perusal of the record, especially keeping in view the factum of the petitioner being at parity with the co-accused namely Deepak Thapa, who has been afforded the concession of regular bail by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, this Court is inclined to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

Suffice to say, the further detention of the petitioner in custody is not required in the facts and circumstances of the case.

7. In view of above, the petition in hand is **allowed**. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned 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/Illaq Magistrate.

- (vii) The petitioner shall not in any manner try to delay the trial.
- (viii) The petitioner shall submit, on the first working day of every month, an affidavit, before the concerned trial Court, to the effect that she has not been involved in commission of any offence after being released on bail. In case the petitioner is found to be involved in any offence after is being enlarged on bail in the present FIR, on the basis of his affidavit or otherwise, the State is mandated to move, forthwith, for cancellation of his bail which plea, but of course, shall be ratiocinated upon merits thereof.

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.
11. Since the main case has been decided, pending miscellaneous application, if any, shall also stands disposed off.

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

May 05, 2026
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No