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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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Date of decision : 07.05.2026

SARDOOL SINGH ALIAS GOPI

... PETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.. RESPONDENT

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S.GREWAL

Present:- Mr. K.S. Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rohit Hans, DAG, Punjab.

H.S. Grewal, J.(Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (erstwhile Section 439 Cr.P.C.) seeking regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.09 dated 25.01.2025 registered under Sections 103, 109, 191(3), 190, 324(6) and 61(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (erstwhile Sections 302, 307, 148, 149, 425 and 120-B IPC) and Sections 25 and 27 of the Arms Act at Police Station City Zira, District Ferozepur.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the complainant's son, Kulwinder Singh @ Dhilka, was taken by his friend Mewa Singh on a motorcycle but did not return. While searching for him near Balmiki Mandir, Zira, the complainant saw a Swift car being chased by 3-4 vehicles, whose occupants were firing at it, causing it to overturn. Co-accused Manjit Singh

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along with others, allegedly fired at the occupants of the car. It is alleged that the son of the complainant was found dead inside the case with firearm injuries and one-Gaurav suffered three injuries in the alleged incident.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner, however, submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case and there is no incriminating material against him which would connect him with the alleged offence. He further submits that the injured-Gaurav has not named the petitioner and the complainant in his statement named the petitioner as 'Gopi'. It is further submitted that neither any specific role nor any motive has been attributed to the petitioner. He further submits that co-accused Ranjit Singh @ Rana has already been granted bail by this Court in CRM-M-47837-2025 on 25.03.2026. He also submits that the petitioner is in custody for the last more than 01 year, 02 months and 12 days and he is involved in several other cases including one under the Arms Act and others under the NDPS Act. He, therefore, prays for release of the petitioner on regular bail as the trial is likely to take a long time as none of the prosecution witness has been examined so far.

4. Learned State counsel has filed the custody certificate of the petitioner in Court, which is taken on record. He vehemently opposes the prayer for grant of regular bail to the petitioner. He, upon instructions, submits that the petitioner is in custody for the last more than 01 year, 02 months and 12 days. He, upon instructions, submits that none of the prosecution witness has been examined so far.

5. I have heard the learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.

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6. In view of the above submissions of learned counsel for the parties and keeping in view the facts that the petitioner is in custody for the last more than 01 year, 02 months and 12 days, co-accused has already been granted bail and that the trial is likely to take a long time to conclude as none of the prosecution witness has been examined so far, therefore, this Court deems it appropriate to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner during the pendency of the trial as the continuous detention of the petitioner would not serve the ends of justice.

7. Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bail bonds, surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate/Chief Judicial Magistrate concerned.

8. However, it is made clear that in case the petitioner misuses the concession of bail, the State/complainant would be at liberty to seek cancellation of his bail.

May 07, 2026
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(H.S.GREWAL)
JUDGE

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