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

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Date of Decision: 12.05.2026

DHARMINDER SINGH @ DHINDU**... Petitioner****Versus****STATE OF PUNJAB****...Respondent****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI**

Present: Mr. Viren Sibal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. M.S. Toor, A.A.G., Punjab.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J.

The prayer in this 2nd petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. (Section 483 of BNSS, 2023) is for the grant of regular bail in case bearing FIR No.33 dated 19.02.2022 registered under Sections 302, 34, 107, 120-B & 201 IPC 1860, (Sections 103(1), 3(5), 45, 61 & 238 of BNS, 2023) [Sections 34, 107, 120-B, 201 IPC and Section 61(1) of Excise Act added later on) at Police Station Lopoke, District Amritsar Rural.

2. The present FIR came to be registered at the instance of Kajal W/o Shamsher Singh and the same reads as under:-

'Statement of Kajal wife of Shamsher Singh daughter of Nanak Singh, resident of village Pandori, police station Lopoke, District Amritsar aged around 23 years, mobile no. 9814067784 made a statement that I am resident of above said address and I am household lady. We are six sisters and brothers. I am eldest.



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Younger to me is sister Suman, younger to her is brother Gora, younger to him is sister Manpreet Kaur and younger to her is Sania and the youngest one is brother Sourav, we all four sisters are married and both brothers are unmarried. From almost three years, I am married with Shamsher Singh son of Sarup Singh. My husband Nanak Singh do the labour work. Dharminder Singh alias Dhindo son of Jangir Singh, village Gohala, Police Station Lopoke, District Amritsar who do the business of cattle. Almost around 10/11 years ago in our house at village Awan Lakha Singh, he use to visit our house. He developed relation with mother. From almost 10 years my mother Asha had left our family and started living with Dharminder Singh alias Dhindo. From last around 2 years they both are living in village Sarangra police station Lopoke, District Amritsar. we all sisters in order to meet our mother started visiting at village Sarangra. Dharminder Singh very often use to fight with my mother. On 17.02.2022 in the morning I had gone to meet my mother Asha at village Sarangra then Dharminder Singh and my mother was fighting with each other and he was beating her. I made Dharminder Singh understand that he had taken our mother from us and made her homeless therefore, he should not fight with her. After making him understand I came back to my house. Today, I and my sister Manpreet Kaur after taking the medicine of child had gone to meet our mother at village Sarangra then we came to know that since that day my mother was not seen and Dharminder Singh was also not seen in the village. We had opened the rooms and saw that in the room adjoining soil was dug and one spade was lying nearby. We suspected and inspected the soil and then we saw the hands of my mother Asha. Then I called my husband and younger brother Sourav at the spot. After removing the soil we had taken out the dead body out. We had put the dead body on the wooden bench and then saw that the neck of my mother has been strangulated with plastic rope of black color and from her nose and mouth blood was



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oozing out and she was dead. We are sure that our mother has been murdered by Dharminder Singh alias Dhindo above said, on the same day by giving her injuries and by strangulating her and buried her dead body in the room after digging the earth and he had run away after that. We have left my younger sister Manpreet Kaur and younger brother Sourav with the dead body of my mother and I and my husband Shamsher Singh was coming to you for giving information at police station. We have met you on the way at police post village Nawan Jiwan, we have made statement to you, it is correct. I am victim. Legal action may be taken. Sd/- Kajal.”

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. In fact, the petitioner was not present at the place of occurrence and the dead body of Asha was found in the adjoining abandoned house owned by another person. As the petitioner is in custody since 12.04.2022 but the Trial is not nearing conclusion, he be granted the concession of bail moreso when a co-accused namely, Bhola Singh has been granted the concession of bail vide order dated 15.10.2025 passed in CRM-M-34714-2024.

4. On the other hand, the learned State counsel contends that the petitioner is the main accused who was in a relationship with the deceased and committed her murder along with his co-accused. The trial is proceeding at a rapid pace and 12 of the 19 prosecution witnesses have been examined so far. Therefore, the petitioner is not entitled to the concession of bail.

5. I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

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6. As per the case of the prosecution, the petitioner was in a relationship with the deceased. He along with his co-accused are alleged to have strangled the deceased and buried her in his own house. The allegations against the petitioner are grave. The Trial is proceeding with as many as 12 of the 19 prosecution witnesses having been examined. There is every possibility that the petitioner would abscond from justice in case he is granted the concession of bail.

7. In view of the above, I find no merit in the present petition. Therefore, the same stands dismissed.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

12.05.2026

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