



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

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CRM-M-25995-2026 (O&M)

Date of decision: 21.05.2026

Arshdeep Singh @ Fauji

...Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

State of Punjab

...Respondent(s)

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present :- Mr. Ankit Kharbanda, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Alisha Soni, AAG Punjab.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed for seeking directions to the Trial Court in trial bearing case No.NDPS/516/2023 arising out of FIR No.0178 dated 27.12.2022 registered under Sections 21-C, 25 [Section 29 added later on] of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 at Police Station Majitha Road, District Amritsar to permit the petitioner to furnish personal bond and cash surety instead of a surety bond as a condition for releasing the petitioner on regular bail granted by this Court in CRM-M-59718-2023.

2. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner contends that the petitioner was nominated as an accused in the aforesaid case with the aid of Section 29 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 and that eventually over a period of time, the petitioner was granted bail vide order dated 12.09.2024 passed by this Court in CRM-M-59718-2023. He further contends that one of the limited conditions imposed by the Trial Court while granting bail to the petitioner was to furnish bail bonds and surety bonds in the sum of Rs.1,00,00/- with one surety of the like

amount. It is further contended that while the petitioner would be in a situation to furnish the personal bonds by way of cash deposit to the sum of Rs.1,00,000/-, however, he is not in a position to arrange the surety for his release. He further contends that in case the condition for arranging a surety of the like amount is waived, the petitioner would be able to secure his liberties. He further prays that the personal bond amount could also be made modest taking into consideration the financial circumstances of the petitioner and undertakes that the petitioner would be able to furnish personal bonds and a cash surety of Rs.75,000/-.

3. Without commenting into the merits of the case and noticing that despite the bail having been granted to the petitioner on 12.09.2024, yet the petitioner is still in custody, I deem it appropriate to allow the present petition and modify the terms and conditions as imposed by the Trial Court. Hence, the order passed by the Trial Court granting bail is modified to an extent that the present petitioner be released on bail on furnishing personal bonds and a cash surety of Rs.75,000/-, as undertaken today and that the requirement of furnishing of surety in the like amount is dispensed with in the peculiar circumstances of the present case.

4. Petition is **allowed** in above terms.

5. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

21.05.2026

Sumit Gusain

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