

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

CRM-M-29337-2026

Date of decision : 22.05.2026

Ranjeet Singh @ Neet

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present :- Mr. Saksham Dudeja, Advocate
for the petitioner.

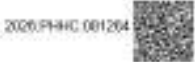
RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in the present petition is for quashing of order dated 02.05.2026 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Ludhiana vide which the non-bailable warrants against the petitioner was issued in FIR No.67 dated 19.05.2025, under Section 22 of the NDPS Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Sudhar, District Ludhiana Rural, Punjab.

2. It has been contended by counsel for the petitioner that petitioner was regularly appearing before the trial Court on each and every date however, on 02.05.2026, he was unable to attend the Court as he had gone to Nasha Mukta Abhiyan Classes conducted by Punjab Government in his area and also, the petitioner has noted down the wrong date as 12.05.2026 instead of 02.05.2026. Hence, vide order dated 02.05.2026, non-bailable warrants against the petitioner were issued. He submits that absence of the petitioner was neither intentional nor willful. He submits that now petitioner is ready and willing to join the proceedings and abide by the terms and conditions of bail.



3. Notice of motion to official respondent only.
4. On asking of the Court, Mr. Ekompal Sagoo, AAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.
5. Learned State counsel has opposed the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner and has stated that the trial Court has rightly issued the non-bailable warrants against the petitioner who remained absent on 02.05.2026 without any valid reason.
6. After hearing counsel for the petitioner and perusing the record, it is apparent that the petitioner remained absent on 02.05.2026 due to noting down of wrong date and also that he has gone to Nasha Mukta Abhiyan and non-bailable warrants against the petitioner were issued. Now the petitioner is keen to join the proceedings. So keeping in view the abovesaid facts, the present petition is disposed of and the order dated 02.05.2026 passed by learned Additional Sessions Judge, Ludhiana is *set aside* subject to payment of cost of Rs.10,000/- to be deposited with the Day Care Centre for Elderly Disabled in home for Old & Destitute People, Sector-15, Chandigarh within a period of 07 days from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. In case the petitioner appears before the trial Court and files appropriate application along with receipt of costs before the trial Court within a period of 10 days from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, the trial Court will admit him to bail subject to its satisfaction during the pendency of trial and proceed with the trial as per law. Petitioner will have protection from arrest for a period of 10 days from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order
7. Needless to say that in case the petitioner fails to comply with the abovesaid direction, he will have no benefit of this order and the order



under challenge would stand automatically revived and the present petition shall be deemed to have been dismissed.

8. Disposed of in above terms.

22.05.2026
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(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

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Yes/No

Whether reportable

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Yes/No