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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

(111) CRM-M-30832-2025 (O & M)

Date of decision: 19.03.2026

(Through VC)

Rashpal Singh @ Ravinderpal Singh

..... Petitioner(s)

V/s

State of Punjab

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present: Mr. H.S. Batth, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Harkanwar Jeet Singh, AAG, Punjab.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J. (Oral)

The prayer in this second petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is for the grant of regular bail in case bearing FIR No.0194 dated 31.10.2023 under Sections 307, 341 IPC registered at Police Station Sadar Tarn Taran, District Tarn Taran.

2. The present FIR came to be registered at the instance of Sukhraj Singh and reads as under:-

"Statement of Sukhraj Singh son of Joginder Singh resident of village Gandiwind Dhattal, Police Station Chohla, District Tarn Taran, aged about 60 years. Mob. No. 98721-40242. Stated that I am the resident of said stated address. I retired as Sub Inspector from Department of Punjab Police, District Tarn Taran. Today, on 31.10.2023, I visited the court of Sh. Prashant Verma, ASJ. Tarn Taran. District Court. Tarn Taran to depose in FIR No. 106 dated 06.10.2017 under section 22-61-85 NDPS ACT, PS Chohla Sahib. It was about 01.10 PM, when I came



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out of the court, outside the court, then in the court complex, Rachpal Singh @ Ravinderpal Singh S/o Arjan Singh, resident of Naurangabad, to whom I known earlier, suddenly came in front of me and stopped me, Rachpal Singh @ Ravinderpal Singh suddenly pulled out a knife (kirch) from the Chola (attire) of Nihang, he was wearing and inflicted a direct blow on left side of my chest with the intention to kill me, but I immediately turned back, but the blow of knife (kirch) hit on the left side of my chest. I raised alarm mar ditta mar ditta, then ASI Sarabjit Singh 849/TT, in-charge Malkhana, Tarn Taran and SI Kewal Singh No: 898/TT, Station House Officer, PS Harike, ASI Navjot Singh No: 159/TT. Naib Court, who were already present in the court complex, very cleverly apprehended Rachpal Singh Ravinderpal Singh, alongwith the knife (Kirch). If they do not apprehend, then Rachpal Singh Ravinderpal Singh above stated, would have killed me, because he was in state of anger that he could have cause loss to my life, because the reason of the grudge is that in year 2017. I was posted as Station House Officer of PS Chohla Sahib and I have registered a FIR number 117 dated 24.10.2017, under section 21-61-85 NDPS Act. Police Station Chohla Sahib against him, that is why, he has attacked me with the intention to kill me. Due legal action may be taken and justice may be delivered to me. Statement recorded, heard, is correct. Sd/- Sukhraj Singh attested Balraj Singh, SI, Police Station Sadar, Tarn Taran, Dated 31.10.2023.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. As per the prosecution case, the complainant had got registered an FIR against the petitioner in the year 2017 and in retaliation thereof, the petitioner assaulted the complainant on 31.10.2023 after a gap of 06 years. In fact, the FIR had



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been registered against the son of the petitioner, namely, Sarabdev Singh who has been granted bail by this Court. Taking the allegations to be correct, the injury attributed to the petitioner is simple in nature. As he is in custody since 31.10.2023 but only 03 out of the 16 prosecution witnesses have been examined so far, the Trial of the present case is not likely to be concluded anytime soon and therefore, he is entitled to the concession of bail.

4. The learned counsel for the State, on the other hand, while referring to the status report dated 16.12.2025 which is already on record, contends that the complainant who is a retired police official got registered an FIR against the petitioner and his family members under the NDPS Act and in response thereof, the petitioner assaulted the complainant. He is a serial offender with 06 other cases registered against him. The nature of the allegations levelled against the petitioner as also his antecedents do not entitle him to the concession of bail.

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

6. As per the prosecution case, the complainant was assaulted as he had got registered an FIR against the petitioner and his family members. In retaliation, the complainant has been assaulted by the petitioner. The complainant only acted in his official capacity by getting an FIR registered against the son of the petitioner. The attack has been carried out in the Court premises that too against a former police official who was merely performing his duty. The nature of the injury would have little relevance in



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side of the chest of the complainant. Further, the petitioner is a habitual offender. The details of the other cases registered against him are as under:-

Sr. No.	FIR Nos. and date	Sections	Police Station	Status
1.	FIR No.136/2017 dt.18.10.2017	392/395/342/506 /411 IPC	Goindwal Sahib, District Tarn Taran	Acquitted on 28.01.2025
2.	FIR No.221/2017 dt. 21.10.2017	21 of the NDPS Act	Sadar, Tarn Taran	Acquitted on 26.03.2019
3.	FIR No.226/2015	341/427/188/148 /149 IPC	Sadar, Tarn Taran	Under investigation
4.	FIR No.31/2003 dt. 16.03.2003	302 IPC	Sadar, Tarn Taran	Convicted on 01.12.2025
5.	FIR No.242/2006 dt.01.01.2006	25/54/59 of the Arms Act	PS Civil Lines, Batala	Acquitted on 08.12.2018
6.	FIR No.241/2006	21/61/85 NDPS Act	PS Civil Line, Batala	Acquitted on 29.07.2009

7. In view of the above, I do not deem it appropriate to grant the concession of bail to the petitioner. Therefore, the present petition stands dismissed.

8. However, the Trial Court is directed to conclude the Trial expeditiously.

9. The pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of accordingly.

March 19, 2026
sukhpreet

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

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