



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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1) CRM-M-46667-2025
Decided on : 19.03.2026

Jashanpreet Singh @ Jashan . . . Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab . . . Respondent(s)

2) CRM-M-47583-2025

Satnam Singh @ Sagar . . . Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab . . . Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

PRESENT: Mr. Hakam Singh, Advocate,
Ms. Amrita Negi, Advocate and
Mr. Ajay Singh Virk, Advocate
for the petitioner(s) (in both cases).

Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (Oral)

1. This order shall dispose of CRM-M-46667-2025 and CRM-M-47583-2025, as all the petitions are interconnected and have arisen out of same FIR. However, the lead case is CRM-M-46667-2025.
2. The instant petitions have been filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 439 Cr.P.C.), for grant of regular bail to the petitioners, during the pendency of trial, who have been booked in a criminal case arising out of First Information Report, as detailed here-under:-

Name of Petitioner(s)	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Jashanpreet Singh @ Jashan (petitioner in CRM-M-46667-2025)	32	17.03.2025	21, 18, 23, 19, 61/85 of NDPS Act, 1985 and 180B, 25, 27-A, 61, 85 of NDPS Act and Section 25(8), 54/59 of Arms Act enhanced later on and offence u/s 21 of NDPS Act, has been deleted.	Jhabal	Tarn Taran

Satnam Singh @ Sagar (petitioner in CRM-M-47583-2025)	32	17.03.2025	21, 18, 23, 19, 61/85 of NDPS Act, 1985 and 180B, 25, 27-A, 61, 85 of NDPS Act and Section 25(8), 54/59 of Arms Act enhanced later on and offence u/s 21 of NDPS Act, has been deleted.	Jhabal	Tarn Taran
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3. As per the facts of the case, on 17.03.2025, members of the police party received a secret information to the effect that accused persons namely Varinder Singh alias Vijay, Gurjant Singh alias Janta, Satnam Singh alias Sagar and Jashanpreet Singh alias Jashan were bringing pistols and narcotic substances, including opium and heroin, from Pakistan on two motorcycles, one bearing registration No.PB-02-EK-0361 and the other a Bajaj motorcycle without registration number, for further sale to customers in India. It was further informed that if a raid was conducted, recovery of narcotic substances and illegal weapons could be effected.

On the basis of the said information, FIR was registered and investigation was commenced. Thereafter, raid was conducted at the disclosed place with the assistance of the secret informer. On noticing the police party, two young persons allegedly took out pistols from their waists and started firing at the police party. In retaliation, the police party also fired in self-defence, as a result of which the said two persons sustained injuries and fell down. All four young persons were apprehended at the spot.

The first injured person disclosed his name as Varinder Singh alias Vijay (accused) and the second injured person disclosed his name as Jashanpreet Singh alias Jashan (accused). Upon conducting search of accused Varinder Singh alias Vijay, one empty magazine of .30 bore was recovered from the right pocket of his kurta. Similarly, upon conducting search of accused Jashanpreet Singh alias Jashan, one empty magazine of .30 bore was recovered from the pocket of the lower worn by him. Both the

injured/accused were admitted to Civil Hospital, Tarn Taran for treatment.

The third apprehended person disclosed his name as Gurjant Singh alias Janta, from whom one .30 bore pistol along with a magazine was recovered from his waist. Upon unloading the said magazine, one live cartridge was recovered and one empty .30 bore cartridge was recovered from the right pocket of his lower. The fourth apprehended person disclosed his name as Satnam Singh alias Sagar, from whom 200 currency notes of Rs.500 each (totalling Rs.1,00,000/-) were recovered from the lower worn by him, allegedly as drug money.

4. During the course of investigation, on 19.03.2025, accused Satnam Singh suffered a disclosure statement before the Investigating Officer and got recovered an amount of Rs.10,10,000 as alleged drug money from his residential house.

Accused Gurjant Singh further disclosed the name of another accused, namely Iqbal Singh, stating that he along with Varinder Singh alias Vijay used to place orders with Iqbal Singh for smuggling weapons and contraband from Pakistan.

Accused Iqbal Singh was arrested on 19.03.2025 and, pursuant to his disclosure statement, he got recovered one .32 bore pistol along with a magazine, four live cartridges, drug money amounting to Rs.12,00,000/- and a money counting machine from his Swift car, bearing registration No.PB-46-AA-1114.

Accused Iqbal Singh again made a disclosure statement stating that towards the end of the year 2024, he had contacted one Navdeep Singh through an Instagram ID, who asked him to get drug money collected through hawala transactions. He allegedly used to receive Rs.4–5 lacs per

month for the said purpose and further stated that Shamsher Singh (petitioner herein) was also involved in the said activity with him. On the basis of this disclosure statement, petitioner-Shamsher Singh was nominated as an accused in the present case on 19.03.2025.

5. On the basis of another disclosure statement dated 20.03.2025 made by accused Iqbal Singh, other persons namely Harjashanpreet Singh, Sahilpreet Singh, Gurpreet Singh alias Gopi and Jobandeep Singh were also nominated as accused, allegedly for their involvement in collecting and further supplying the drug money.

Subsequently, on 25.03.2025, accused Iqbal Singh made yet another disclosure statement alleging that another accused, Aishveer Singh alias Aish, had supplied heroin to him and the present petitioner Shamsher Singh on several occasions.

6. As per the allegations in the present case, total 7 kilograms of opium and certain illegal weapons were recovered from the accused persons, as detailed above.

7. Learned counsel for the petitioner(s) submits that as per allegations, petitioner – Jashanpreet Singh @ Jashan (in CRM-M-46667-2025) was arrested on the spot and from his possession only one empty magazine of .30 bore was recovered from the pocket of the lower worn by him. It is admitted position that petitioner – Jashanpreet Singh @ Jashan, who was arrested on the spot had already suffered injury due to the exchange of fire-shot of the police team with the accused persons, who were riding on two different motorcycles.

Whereas, name of the another petitioner – Satnam Singh @ Sagar (in CRM-M-47583-2025) was also mentioned in the FIR and from his

possession, drug money amounting to Rs.1,00,000/- (200 currency notes of Rs.500/- each), was recovered from the lower worn by him.

After being arrested, accused/petitioner – Satnam Singh @ Sagar suffered disclosure statement on 19.03.2025 and got recovered another amount of Rs.10,10,000/-.

8. As per case of the prosecution, apart from the aforementioned recoveries from the petitioners herein, and also from other co-accused, 7.00 kg of opium was also recovered in the instant case. Allegations are very serious, because the number of accused and the recoveries effected from many of them raises a serious doubt about the antecedents of the accused, including the petitioners herein, about their links across the border.

State is finding it an extremely grave situation, wherein the complete youth is now in the grip of drug menace. Apart from this, they are ready to hold arms in their hands, undoubtedly with outside support.

9. It is also noticeable that one of the co-accused – Shamsher Singh, has already been granted concession of regular bail by this Court vide order dated 07.03.2026, passed in CRM-M-50875-2025. A copy of the said order has also been produced in Court today, which is taken on record.

The allegations *qua* him were noticed and in the defence of circumstances as realized at that relevant time, the concession of regular bail was extended to him. However, the same treatment cannot be extended to the petitioners herein.

Even, the bail plea of another co-accused – Varinder Singh alias Vijay, has also been dismissed as not pressed by this Court vide order dated 07.03.2026, passed in CRM-M-50326-2025. Copy of the said order has also been produced in Court today and is taken on record.

10. With the aforementioned observations, this Court does not find any substantial reason to extend the concession of regular bail to the petitioners herein, who as per custody certificates dated 18.03.2026 (today filed in Court) have suffered total incarceration period inside jail up-till 18.03.2026, only as 11 months and 17 days (petitioner – Jashanpreet Singh @ Jashan) and 11 months and 20 days (petitioner – Satnam Singh @ Sagar), respectively.

11. **Petitions stand dismissed accordingly, at this stage.**

Pending misc. application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

Photocopy of this order be placed on the files of other connected cases.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

March 19, 2026

J.Ram

Whether speaking/reasoned: *Yes/No*

Whether Reportable: *Yes/No*