



CRM-M-47531-2025 and
CRM-M-67896-205

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

118-2 CRM-M-47531-2025

Asif Lahora @ Lalla . . . Petitioner(s)
Versus

State of Punjab . . . Respondent(s)
118-3 CRM-M-67896-2025

Varinder Singh @ Gear . . . Petitioner(s)
Versus

State of Punjab . . . Respondent(s)

Decided on :09.03.2026

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present: Mr. Pushp Jain, Advocate for the petitioner
(in CRM-M-47531-2025).

Mr. Vikasdeep Singh, Advocate for the petitioner
(in CRM-M-67896-2025)

Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Sr.DAG, Punjab.

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SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (Oral)

1. By way of this common order both the aforementioned
petitions are being disposed of.

2. Petitioner-Asif Lahora @ Lalla has filed petition i.e. CRM-
M-47531-2025, seeking regular bail in case FIR No. 212 dated
22.11.2024, under Secions 103, 109, 115(2), 118(1), 191(3), 190 of BNS,
(Sections 238, 249, 61(2) of BNS were added lateron), registered at
Police Station Sultanpur Lodhi, District Kapurthala.

Petitioner-Varinder Singh @ Gear has filed petition i.e.
CRM-M-67896-2025, seeking regular bail in case FIR No. 212 dated
22.11.2024, under Secions 103, 109, 115(2), 118(1), 191(3), 190 of BNS,



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(Sections 249, 61(2), 118(2) and 238 of BNS were added lateron),
registered at Police Station Sultanpur Lodhi, District Kapurthala.

3. FIR was registered at the instance of complainant, Amanpreet Singh, naming five accused initially, i) Kartik @ Kai armed with a garari; ii) Gagan Baba armed with a kirch; iii) Naveen, armed with a datar; iv) Karan armed with a datar; and v) Gautam armed with a baseball bat. Subsequently, sixth accused namely Asif was also nominated.

At the relevant time, complainant was travelling on a motorcycle alongwith his companions, Ajay Kumar and Honey Kumar @ Nannu, while Rajni was proceeding on her Activa Scooter to deliver groceries to the father of Honey Kumar @ Nannu (deceased) namely, Surjit Pal, at Sultanpur Lodhi. They were allegedly intercepted by the aforementioned accused persons, during which injuries were caused.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner-Asif Lahora @ Lalla is in custody since 28.11.2024 and as regards the role attributed to petitioner Asif Lahora @ Lalla, it is alleged that he attacked the deceased, Honey Kumar, extended death threats, and inflicted kick blows. A datar was also reportedly recovered from him.

5. So far as petitioner Varinder Singh @ Gear is concerned, he is in custody since 12.09.2025 and his name does not appear in the FIR. He was subsequently implicated on the basis of the disclosure statement of co-accused Gurlal Singh. Learned counsel submits that to establish the



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complicity of Varinder Singh @ Gear in the instant crime does not require prolonged incarceration, as continued detention would serve no meaningful purpose. The only role attributed to him is that he allegedly informed co-accused Gagan Baba about the location of the deceased, Honey Kumar, and no injury has been attributed to him.

6. On the other hand, learned State counsel submits that petitioner-Asif Lahora @ Lalla is alleged to have attacked the deceased, Honey Kumar, inflicted kick blows, and extended death threats, and that a datar was recovered from him, indicating his active involvement in the offence.

So far as petitioner Varinder Singh @ Gear is concerned, he was subsequently implicated based on the disclosure statement of co-accused Gurlal Singh, which connects him to the crime by allegedly providing information about the location of the deceased to another accused.

Learned State counsel submits that the evidence of material witnesses is yet to be recorded, and the seriousness of the offences necessitates petitioners continued detention. Accordingly, learned State counsel prays for dismissal of the present petition.

7. I have heard learned Counsel for the parties and perused the paper book and the documents appended thereto.

8. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, particularly that petitioner-Asif Lahora @ Lalla is in custody since



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28.11.2024 and petitioner-Varinder Singh @ Gear is in custody since 12.09.2025, and taking note of the role attributed to each of them, the Court is of the view that continued incarceration of the petitioners would serve no useful purpose at this stage. It is further noticed that no injury has been attributed to petitioner-Varinder Singh @ Gear and that the evidence of material witnesses, including the injured, is yet to be recorded. Without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petitions are allowed. Petitioners are ordered to be released on bail, subject to their furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/ Chief Judicial Magistrate/Illaqa Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned, if not required in any other case.

9. Any of the discussion done and recorded hereabove, shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the facts of the case. Therefore, trial Court is expected to decide the case by taking an independent view, on the basis of evidence available on record, as expeditiously as possible in accordance with law.

10. Petitions stand disposed of.

11. A photocopy of this order be placed on the file of another connected case.

**(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE**

09.03.2026
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