

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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2026:PHHC:045283



Date of decision: 23.03.2026.

(1)

CRM-M-50427-2025 (O&M).

DEEPAK ALIAS SWAMI

...Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA

...Respondent(s)

(2)

CRM-M-50606-2025 (O&M).

DEEPAK

...Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA

...Respondent(s)

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

Present :- Mr. Rajesh Goyal, Advocate,
for the petitioner(s)

Ms. Chhavi Sharma, AAG, Haryana

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

Above mentioned both the petitions have been filed under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, for grant of regular bail to the petitioner.

CRM-M-50427-2025 has been filed for seeking regular bail in case bearing FIR No.23 dated 21.01.2024, under Section(s) 109, 111, 307, 386, 120-B and 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 and Sections 25 and 29 of the Arms Act, 1959, registered at Police Station Gohana City, District Sonapat.

Succinctly stated, the facts leading to the registration of FIR No.23 dated 21.01.2024, on the basis of the statement made by Bijender son of Krishan, resident of village Mahra, District Sonipat, are that on 21.01.2024, at about 10:30 a.m., he had gone to deliver milk at the shop of Lala Matu Ram Halwai (Confectioner) at Gohana. It is alleged that at that time, three unknown persons arrived on a motorcycle from the side of the Old Grain Market and after positioning themselves near the idol of Lord Shiva, opened indiscriminate fire towards the shop of Lala Matu Ram Halwai. The complainant stated that, upon hearing the gunshots, he got frightened and attempted to run inside the shop, during which he sustained a gunshot injury on the right side of his head. It was further stated that thereafter, the driver of Lala Matu Ram Halwai transported him to PGI, Khanpur Kalan for medical treatment, where he was provided first aid by the attending doctor. The complainant further stated that he subsequently came to know that the assailants had fled from the spot towards the side of the Grain Market. On the basis of the aforesaid allegations, the complainant sought appropriate legal

action against the three unknown persons, whereupon the present FIR came to be registered.

CRM-M-50606-2025 has been filed for seeking regular bail in case bearing FIR No.22 dated 21.01.2024, under Section(s) 109, 111, 285, 307, 386, 387, 412, 506, 507, 120-B and 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 and Sections 25 and 27 of the Arms Act, 1959, registered at Police Station Gohana City, District Sonapat.

Succinctly stated, the facts leading to the registration of FIR No.22 dated 21.01.2024 on the statement made by the complainant Neeraj Gupta son of Rajender Gupta, resident of Hukam Chand Mandi, Gohana, are that he stated that he was running a sweet shop under the name and style of “Lala Maturam Rajender Prasad” situated near Shiv Chowk, Purani Anaj Mandi, Gohana. According to the complainant, on 21.01.2024 at about 10:30 a.m., while he along with his staff was present at the shop and his younger brother Raman was sitting at the cash counter, three unidentified persons, with their faces covered, arrived on a motorcycle from the side of Old Anaj Mandi, Gohana and stopped in front of the shop. It is alleged that the said persons opened indiscriminate fire, firing approximately 30 to 40 rounds, most of which were directed towards the shop and with an intention to kill. It was further alleged that at that time Bijender, a resident of village Mahara, who had come to the shop for supplying milk, was also fired upon by the assailants. The complainant stated that while fleeing from the spot, the assailants threw a note in front of the shop demanding a ransom of Rs.2 crores and threatened that in the event the said amount was not arranged, they would kill the person running the shop. The complainant further stated that the identity of the

assailants could not be ascertained as their faces were covered and sought appropriate legal action against the unknown persons, whereupon the above FIR came to be registered.

Status report already filed on behalf of the respondent-State in each of the case is taken on record.

Custody certificates dated 22.03.2026 have also been placed on record.

Counsel for the petitioner(s) contends that the role attributed to the petitioner is that he was present in a meeting wherein the conspiracy was hatched and his association with co-accused Dipin and Rohit during discussions relating to the said conspiracy. It is further alleged that the petitioner had coordinated certain aspects of reconnaissance and logistical arrangements. He contends that the case of the petitioner stands on parity with co-accused Ram Dinesh, who along with certain other co-accused, has already been granted the concession of regular bail by this Court vide order dated 16.03.2026 passed in CRM-M-50966-2025 titled as Ram Dinesh Vs. State of Haryana. He further submits that apart from the present two FIRs, the petitioner is also involved in one other FIR bearing No.279 dated 17.06.2021 under Section(s) 506, 341 323, 148 and 149 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station, Gohana City, District Sonipat. He, however, contends that in the said FIR as well, the petitioner was nominated as an accused on the basis of a disclosure statement made by co-accused.

Learned state counsel, on the other hand, contends that the petitioner was a co-conspirator and had acted in concert with the other co-accused in furtherance of a common design. She, however, does not dispute

the custody period undergone by the petitioner and that the case of the petitioner stands on parity with co-accused Ram Dinesh, who along with certain other co-accused, has already been granted the concession of regular bail by this Court vide order dated 16.03.2026 passed in CRM-M-50966-2025 titled as Ram Dinesh Vs. State of Haryana.

Having heard the learned counsel for the parties and taking into consideration the nature of allegations against the petitioner, the role attributed to him, the period of custody undergone by the petitioner and further bearing in mind that the co-accused of the petitioner namely Ram Dinesh, who along with certain other co-accused, has already been granted the concession of regular bail by this Court vide order dated 16.03.2026 passed in CRM-M-50966-2025, I deem it appropriate to allow the present petition. Accordingly, the present petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing requisite bail bond/surety bond to the satisfaction of the Trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

It is made clear that in the event of the petitioner misusing the concession of bail and on being involved in any other case of such or similar nature, the State shall be at liberty to move an application seeking cancellation of bail granted to the petitioner. It is further made clear that the petitioner shall not extend any threat and shall not influence or intimidate any prosecution witnesses in any manner, directly or indirectly.

The observation made hereinabove shall be not construed as an expression on the merits of the case and the trial Court shall decide the case on the basis of available material.

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

of accordingly.

A photocopy of the order be placed on the connected file(s).

March 23, 2026.
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(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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