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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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Date of Decision: 25.03.2026

TALWINDER SINGH @ KALA GILL**... PETITIONER****VERSUS****STATE OF PUNJAB****... RESPONDENT****CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S.GREWAL**

Present:- Mr. P.K.S.Phoolka, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. P.S.Pandher, Asst. A.G.Punjab.

H.S. Grewal, J.(Oral)

1. This petition has been filed under Section 483 of the BNSS, 2023 for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in FIR No. 146 dated 15.06.2025 under Sections 21(b), 61 & 85 of NDPS Act, 1985 registered at Police Canal Colony, District Bathinda, Punjab.
2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner, along with his co-accused, was apprehended by the police party and 15 grams of heroin was recovered without any valid licence or permit.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case and has no concern with the alleged occurrence. Nothing has been recovered from the possession of the petitioner. He further submits that the petitioner is in custody since 15.06.2025 and prays for grant of regular bail.
4. On the other hand, learned State counsel has vehemently opposed the prayer for grant of regular bail on the ground that the petitioner committed a serious offence under NDPS Act. He has filed the custody certificate of the petitioner and the same is taken on record. He further submits that the petitioner is in custody for the last 09 months and 8 days and is involved in 06 more cases and



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out of 13 cited prosecution witnesses only 02 witnesses have been examined so far.

5. I have heard the submissions made by the parties and gone through the record.

6. After hearing the rival contentions and considering that the petitioner is in custody for the last 9 months and 8 days, and though he is involved in six other cases, he is on bail in all of them; further, out of 13 cited prosecution witnesses, only 2 have been examined so far and the trial is likely to take considerable time, this Court is of the view that no useful purpose would be served by further incarceration of the petitioner. Accordingly, the petitioner is granted the concession of regular bail during the pendency of the trial.

7. Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

8. Nothing discussed hereinabove shall be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

9. It is clarified that if while on bail so granted through the instant order, the petitioner is found indulged in any other criminal case/activity, it shall be open to the State to seek cancellation of his bail.

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(H.S.GREWAL)
JUDGE

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