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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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Date of Decision: 17.02.2026

PALO KAUR

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present: Mr. Gaurav Arora, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Harkanwar Jeet Singh, Asstt. A.G., Punjab.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J.

The prayer in the present petition under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 is for the grant of interim regular bail in case bearing FIR No.69 dated 26.02.2025 registered under Sections 22 & 29 of NDPS Act at Police Station City Barnala, District Barnala, Punjab.

2. Raju Singh, Harbhajan Singh @ Mann were apprehended and the recovery of 38 loose intoxicant tablets came to be effected from them. On the basis of their interrogation, petitioner-Palo Kaur was nominated as an accused. However, no recovery was effected from her person.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is suffering from multiple ailments and therefore, she be granted the concession of interim regular bail on medical grounds.



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4. A medical status report dated 16.02.2026 by way of an affidavit of Vijay Kumar, Superintendent, Women Jail Bathinda has been filed on behalf of the State by the learned counsel for the State. The same is taken on record. While referring to the said reply, he contends that the patient (petitioner) is currently stable, ambulatory and under evaluation. In fact, there is nothing to suggest that she is so unwell that she could not be provided treatment through jail. The instant petition has been filed for the grant of interim regular bail without any basis whatsoever. He therefore prays that the present petition is liable to be dismissed.

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

6. A perusal of Annexure R-1 of the reply dated 16.02.2026 is reproduced hereinbelow:-

“From

Medical Officer

Women Jail Bathinda

To

Superintendent

Women Jail Bathinda

Sub: Medical Status of inmate Palo Wife of Sukhdev Singh.

Respected Sir,

It is submitted that inmate Palo wife of Sukhdev Singh 60 years old female as per record is known case of Hypertension (on Medication) and gives history as known case of HCV positive patient. According to history of patient she has taken medication for HCV for 03 Months complete course, no record of same is present in the current hospital record. HCV viral load assay is non-detected on dated 26.08.25 and HBV DNA quantitative PCR is non-detected on dated 26.08.25 as per record. Patient was sent to Civil Hospital



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Bathinda for follow up as case of HCV Positive and Hypertension patient to for medicine opinion on dated 15.01.2026. Patient was investigated (Blood investigation and ultrasound abdomen) and was prescribed tab Pantop, Tab Telmisartan and Tab Amlodipine from Civil Hospital Bathinda. Patient was sent again for re-evaluation for HCV and HCV viral load to Civil Hospital Bathinda and blood sample was taken for HCV viral load on dated 16.01.2026. Report of HCV viral load is not detected. Patient is currently stable, ambulatory and under evaluation.

*Medical Officer
Women Jail Bathinda”*

7. Apart from the present case, the petitioner is an accused in multiple cases. The details of the same are as under:-

Sr. No.	FIR Nos. and date	Sections	Police Station
1.	FIR No.75 dated 20.04.2013	15, 61/85 of the NDPS Act	P.S. City Barnala
2.	FIR No.256 dated 03.07.2019	20, 61/85 of the NDPS Act	P.S. City Barnala
3.	FIR No.298 dated 16.06.2021	21, 22, 25, 29, 61/85 of the NDPS Act	P.S. City Barnala
4.	FIR No.119 dated 04.08.2023	61/1/14 of Excise Act	P.S. Barnala
5.	FIR No.161 dated 19.10.2023	61/1/14 of Excise Act	P.S. Barnala
6.	FIR No.178 dated 14.11.2023	21, 22/29/61/85 of NDPS Act	P.S. Barnala
7.	FIR No.316 dated 28.06.2024	22, 29/61/85 of NDPS Act	P.S. City Barnala

8. In view of the fact that the health condition of the petitioner is stable and she is a habitual offender with 07 other cases under the NDPS Act,

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she is not entitled to the concession of interim regular bail. Therefore, the present petition stands dismissed.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

17.02.2026

JITESH

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