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(114) IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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Date of Decision: 05.03.2026

Ajminder Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present: Mr. Jagat Vir Dhindsa, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Harkanwar Jeet Singh, AAG, Punjab.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J.

The prayer in the present petition under Section 483 BNSS is for the grant of regular bail in case bearing FIR No.07 dated 06.01.2025 under Sections 103(2), 61(2), 190 and 191(3) of BNS, 2023 registered at Police Station Phillaur, District Jalandhar Rural.

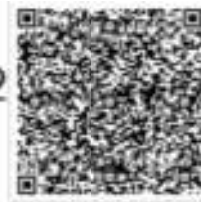
2. The present FIR came to be registered at the instance of Seema Rani W/o Jagtar Singh and the same reads as under:-

“Statement of Seema Rani wife of Jagtar Singh son of Jasvir Singh resident of Village Akalpur, Police Station Phillaur, District Jalandhar, aged 32 years, mobile No.62843-60509. Stated that I am resident of the above address and I do household work. On 05.01.2025 at about 07:30 PM I am my husband Jagtar Singh and my daughter and son were present at our house. My husband received a telephonic call. After hearing the telephone, he started to go out. On this I asked him as to who has called him. He informed that Tejinder Singh alias Goli son of Atma Singh resident of Akalpur had given the telephonic



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call and he will return back after meeting him. However I also started following him. My husband reached near Shaheed Bhagat Singh Stadium Akalpur where Iqbal Singh son of Girdhari Lal resident of Akalpur runs a fish shop. Many people have gathered there. Rajvir Singh alias Raju, Ajminder Singh alias Nana son of Gurdial Singh and Amritpal Singh son of Avtar Singh, Ravinder Singh son of Kewal Singh and Lakhveer Singh whose father name is not known to me, all residents of Bakapur and 5-7 unknown identified persons whose address are not known to me, came running towards my husband on seeing my husband Jagtar Singh. My husband Jagtar Singh already was acquainted with them. I also know them because the above said persons drink liquor while sitting at the shop of Iqbal Singh. The residents of the village had stopped them on numerous occasions. They suspected my husband for this. My husband in order to save his life ran towards the door of the shop on the side of the village. The above said persons started pelting stones and bricks on my husband and Rajvir Singh alias Raju and Ajminder Singh alias Nana gave brick blows on the head of my husband Jagtar Singh. My husband fell in the street. The above said persons gave kick blows on the chest and back of my husband while he was lying down. My husband immediately became unconscious. When I raised noise, all the above said persons escaped from the spot on their motorcycles. I, Babu resident of our village and son of Gurmukh Chowkidar and son of Bholu reached Civil Hospital Phillaur on a vehicle where doctor referred my husband to DMC Ludhiana where he died. The dead body of my husband has been kept at Civil Hospital Phillaur. The above said persons under a conspiracy with a common intention by giving injuries on the head of my husband,



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have killed him. I had seen saria and iron rods in the hands of the persons who had killed my husband. This incident was seen by Tejinder Singh alias Goli son of Atma Singh and Iqbal Singh son of Girdhari Lal residents of Akalpur with their naked eyes. Action as per law may be taken against the above said persons. I have got recorded my statement in the presence of Tarlochan Singh son of Late Sarwan Singh resident of Atta police station Goraya. It has been read by us. Action may be taken. Sd/-. In english. Seema Rani”

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner contends that, though, as per the FIR, Rajvir Singh alias Raju and Ajminder Singh alias Nana (petitioner) gave brick bat blows on the head of the deceased-Jagtar Singh, during the course of investigation, the statement under Section 161 Cr.P.C. of Tejinder Singh alias Goli and Iqbal Singh were recorded to the effect that the injury on the head was caused by Rajvir Singh alias Raju with a *saria* blow. Qua the other accused including the petitioner, the allegations are generic in nature that they have inflicted brick bat blows on the head of the deceased-Jagtar Singh. He, therefore, prays that as the petitioner is in custody since 10.01.2025 but none of the 29 prosecution witnesses has been examined so far, the Trial in the present case is not likely to be concluded anytime soon and therefore, he is entitled to the concession of bail, moreso, when three co-accused, namely, Ravinder alias Arvinder Singh, Amritpal Singh and Lakhvir Singh have been granted the concession of bail by this Court vide orders dated 30.07.2025 and 01.10.2025 (Annexures P-5 & P-6) respectively.



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4. The learned counsel for the State, on the other hand, has filed a status report dated 23.02.2026 which is taken on record. While referring to the said report, he contends that, though, the petitioner has been specifically attributed a role of having caused a brick bat blow on the head of the deceased, during the course of the investigation, only Rajvir Singh alias Raju has been attributed a *saria* on the head of the deceased. He, however, concedes that the petitioner is in custody since 10.01.2025, that none of the 29 prosecution witnesses has been examined so far and that three co-accused have been granted the concession of bail.

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

6. Admittedly, specific allegations have been levelled against Rajvir Singh alias Raju alone as is evident from the investigation conducted so far. The plea of culpability of the petitioner with the aid of Sections 34/149 IPC shall be adjudicated upon during the course of the Trial. He is stated to be in custody since 10.01.2025 but none of the 29 prosecution witnesses has been examined so far. Therefore, the Trial of the present case is not likely to be concluded anytime soon. In this situation, the further incarceration of the petitioner is not required, moreso, when three co-accused have been granted the concession of bail by this Court.

7. Thus without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner-Ajminder Singh is ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned CJM/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

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8. In addition, the petitioner (or anyone on his behalf) shall prepare an FDR in the sum of Rs.50,000/- and deposit the same with the Trial Court. The same would be liable to be forfeited as per law in case of the absence of the petitioner from trial without sufficient cause.

9. The petition stands disposed of.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

March 05, 2026
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Whether speaking/reasoned:- Yes/No
Whether reportable :- Yes/No