

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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2026:PHHC:041737



Date of decision: 17.03.2026.

(1)

CRM-M-63095-2025 (O&M).

VIKRAM SINGH

...Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA

...Respondent(s)

(2)

CRM-M-43008-2025 (O&M).

RAJENDER @ RAJA

...Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA

...Respondent(s)

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

Present :- Mr. Vijay Kumar Sheoran, Advocate,
for the petitioner in CRM-M-63095-2025.

Mr. Amit Choudhary, Advocate,
for the petitioner in CRM-M-43008-2025.

Ms. Chhavi Sharma, AAG, Haryana.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

Both the above mentioned petitions have filed under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, (Section 439 Cr.P.C.) for grant of regular bail to the petitioner(s) therein in case bearing FIR No.175 dated 19.08.2021, under Section(s) 120-B, 148, 149, 201, 302 and 364 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station Bhattu Kalan, District Fatehabad.

This is the second petition filed by petitioner Vikram Singh and fourth petition filed by petitioner Rajender @ Raja, last petition(s) filed by the petitioner(s) having been dismissed on 04.11.2024.

Succinctly, the aforesaid FIR was registered on the complaint of Ajit Singh. It was stated by the complainant that he along with his father (Hanuman Singh), mother (Saroj Rani) and sister (Monika) live in Dhanivillage, Kirdhan, Fatehabad, situated in fields. On 17.08.2021, complainant's sister was getting engaged at their home in Dhani and several relatives were present, who left on 18.08.2021 and on the same day, complainant's sister Monika also went with his maternal uncle Vinod s/o Chander Bhan to Hisar. Subsequently at about 11:00 A.M., when the complainant told his father that he is also leaving for studies to Hisar then his father expressed fear to his own life at the hands of Bhoop Singh Dudi, Pardeep, Krishan, Bajrang, Vikram, Chhotu Ram, Vijay @ Molu, Dholu, Rajender (petitioner), Satish, Jaivir and Sajjan and told the complainant that on the said date (18.08.2021), it was the turn of his father to water the fields from 8:20 P.M. to 10:00 P.M., however, it depends upon the aforesaid Bhoop Singh Dudi and others that at what time they would allow the petitioner's

father to water the fields as the said persons had earlier also threatened to kill him with regard to the watering his fields at night. It was also stated by complainant's father that the aforesaid persons can cause him injuries or even kill him. However at 1:45 P.M., the complainant left for Hisar and on the morning of 19.08.2021, he received a call from his maternal uncle Vinod and his brother Naresh Dui about the death of his father. It was told to him that dead body of his father was lying in the General Hospital, Fatehabad and several injuries were caused on his body with deadly weapons. It was further stated in the complaint that the dead body of complainant's father was brought to the Hospital by one Rajender and portrayed as a case of road side accident. When the complainant along with his maternal uncle Vinod, brothers Sajjan Kumar and Naresh Kumar and other relatives reached the Hospital, they found several injuries on the head, arm, back and feet of the body of complainant's father. It was claimed that the death of complainant's father did not occur due to some road accident and that the complainant was fully confident that as informed by his father, the aforementioned persons, namely Bhoop Singh Dudi, Pardeep, Krishan, Bajrang, Vikram, Chhotu Ram, Vijay @ Molu, Dholu, Rajender (petitioner), Satish, Jaivir and Sajjan, after hatching a conspiracy, committed the murder of his father Hanuman Singh with deadly weapons arising out of an existing dispute over watering the fields. In view of the above, the present FIR was registered.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner(s) contend that the petitioner(s) have been falsely implicated in the present case. It is contended that genesis of the dispute pertains to turn of the parties to water/irrigate their fields and the complainant is not an eye witness to the

alleged incident and the same is based on hearsay evidence. It is contended that petitioner Vikram Singh is in custody since 22.08.2021 and petitioner Rajender @ Raja is in custody since 20.09.2021 and, as such, they have already undergone an actual custody for a period of about 4½ years. It is contended that similarly placed co-accused Satish Kumar has already been granted the concession of regular bail by a Coordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated 14.10.2025 passed in CRM-M-59480-2025, by considering the custody period and the stage of the trial and, as such, the petitioners also deserve to be released on bail by extending the benefit of parity.

State counsel, on the other hand, does not dispute the custody period already undergone by the petitioner(s) as per custody certificate(s) placed on record and that similarly placed co-accused has already been granted the concession of regular bail by this Court.

Having heard the learned counsel for the parties and taking into consideration the period of custody undergone by the petitioners, the stage of the trial and the fact that the co-accused of the petitioner(s) namely Satish Kumar has already been granted the concession of regular bail by this Court vide order dated 14.10.2025 passed in CRM-M-59480-2025, the present petitions are allowed. The petitioner(s) are ordered to be released on bail on furnishing requisite bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

It is made clear that the petitioner(s) shall not extend any threat and shall not influence 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.

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

March 17, 2026.
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(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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