

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

2026:PHHC:004548



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....Petitioner

V/s

State of Haryana

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. Rakesh Nehra, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Sauhard S. Hooda, Advocate and
Mr. Rupender Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Mahima Yashpal Singla, Senior DAG, Haryana.

SUMEET GOEL, J. (ORAL)

1. Present petition has been filed under Section 439 of Cr.P.C/ under Section 483 of BNSS for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case bearing FIR No.452 dated 04.08.2022 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 120-B, 148, 149, 302, 365 of IPC (Sections 3/64 & 216 of IPC added later on), at Police Station Hisar Civil Lines, District Hisar.

2. The case set up in the FIR in question (as set out by the petitioner in the present petition) is as follows:-

“Statement of Ankush son of Balbir Singh son of Ram Singh resident of Village Bardu Dhirja Tehsil and Police Station Loharu District Bhiwani and aged about 19 years. Mobile No 81685 510291. Stated that I am resident of above noted address. We are two brothers and younger from me is my sister Anisha. I

am 102 passed and I am preparing for CET at Red Square Market in coaching center Hisar. My maternal grandmother was admitted in Sarvodaya Hospital hisar and due to this I was present in Sarvodaya Hospital for taking care of her on 02.08.2022. Yesterday on 03.08.2022 during day time I got a call from my nephew Lalit son of Ved Prakash resident of Bardu Dhirja who told me that he is in Hisar. After that at around 7-8 PM, I got call from Lalit that he is near Kamri Road South bypass Bridge. He asked me to come as he was apprehending danger of his life from his in-laws. Upon which I reached near Lalit at around 09:30 PM from side of South Bypass towards Rajgarh Road side at Kamri Road Bridge.

Then I saw Lalit was standing near the Bridge of Tosham Road and during the time two vehicles one of which was a Balero Camper color chocolate one Ritz Color white came from my back side stopped near my nephew Lalit and from those vehicles about 18-20 people were there who were carrying dandas, lathis, rod and other weapons in their hands. Out of them some are known to me who are in-laws of Lalit and Lalit's brother in-laws Sachin son of Sanjay Kumar Golu son of Roshan Lal, father in law Roshan Lal and Sanjay Kumar sons of Bir Singh, my nephew Lalit's wife Saroj, Parmila wife of Sanjay Kumar, Monika daughter of Roshan, Deepak son of Shiv Kumar, Naveen son of Savrup Singh residents of Bidhwan Aman resident of Talu now residing at Hisar who is Sadhu(brother in-law) of my nephew Lalit, Ashish son of Ramesh resident of Chhan Hisar, Parveen son of Kuldeep resident of Durjanpur Jind, Sumit son of Jai Pal resident of Garva District Bhiwani, Ankit son of Nitin resident of Mundal Khurd Bhiwani, Ravi son of Manoj resident of Mithi Bhiwani, Gaurav son of Mahender resident of Ward No2 Saini Colony Hisar and others were there and came out and picked up Lalit and thrown forcibly inside the vehicle and ran away by taking Lalit towards Tosham road side. I could not note down the number of vehicles because I was having eye on my nephew Lalit. On which I made a call on 112 and gave the information to the police and told my family members about taking the Lalit by his in-laws side thereafter I and my family member were searching my nephew. Today on

04.08.2022 at about 4-5 AM it has come in our knowledge that my nephew Lalit has expired and dead body is kept lying in Aadhar Hospital on which we came to Aadhar Hospital Hisar. My nephew is murdered by in-laws side Lalit's brother in-laws Sachin son of Sanjay Kumar Golu son of Roshan Lal father in law Roshan Lal and Sanjay Kumar sons of Bir Singh, my nephew Lalit's wife Saroj, Parmila wife of Sanjay Kumar, Monika daughter of Roshan, Deepak son of Shiv Kumar, Naveen son of Savrup Singh residents of Bidhwan Aman resident of Talu now residing at Hisar who is Sadhu(brother in-law) of my nephew Lalit, Ashish son of Ramesh resident of Chhan Hisar, Parveen son of Kuldeep resident of Durjanpur Jind, Sumit son of Jai Pal resident of Garva District Bhiwani, Ankit son of Nitin resident of Mundal Khurd Bhiwani, Ravi son of Manoj resident of Mithi Bhiwani, Gaurav son of Mahender resident of Ward No2 Saini Colony Hisar and others in connivance with each other by kidnapping my nephew and gave beatings to Lalit with Lathi, dandas and other and committed murder of my nephew Lalit. Strict legal action be taken against them I have written my statement read over same is correct. Sd/- Ankush. Verified by Dalbir Singh Inspector SHO Civil Lines Hisar Dated 04.08.2022."

3. Learned senior counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner is in custody since 10.08.2022. Learned senior counsel for the petitioner further submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated into the FIR in question. Learned senior counsel has iterated that there is no direct motive attributable to the petitioner, as the genesis of the FIR in question is a matrimonial dispute between the deceased and his wife namely Saroj and the petitioner is not related to Saroj. Learned senior has further iterated that the petitioner has been primarily implicated into the FIR in question on account of his having friendly relation with brother of the said Saroj. He has further submitted that all private witnesses stand

examined. He has further iterated that the petitioner is a man with clean antecedents and has suffered incarceration for more than 3 years. Thus, regular bail is prayed for.

4. Learned State counsel has filed status report by way of affidavit of Deputy Superintendent of Police, Agroha, Hisar on behalf of the respondent-State, which is kept on record. She has raised submissions in tandem with the said status report and has vehemently opposed the present petition by arguing that the allegations raised are serious in nature and, hence, the petitioner does not deserve the concession of regular bail. Learned State counsel seeks to place on record custody certificate dated 14.01.2026 in Court, which is taken on record.

5. I have heard counsel for the parties and have gone through the available records of the case.

6. The petitioner was arrested on 10.08.2022, whereinafter investigation was carried out and challan was presented on 05.11.2022. Total 42 witnesses have been cited, out of which 6 stand examined and 2 have been given up till date. It is further not in dispute that all the private witnesses stand examined and conclusion of trial will take long time. The rival contentions of the learned counsel for the parties; as to the whether the petitioner has been falsely implicated into the FIR, shall be gone into during the course of trial. This Court does not deem it appropriate to delve deep into these rival contentions, at this stage lest it may prejudice the rights of either of the parties. Nothing tangible has been brought forward to indicate the likelihood of the petitioner absconding from the process of justice or interfering with the remaining prosecution evidence.

As per the custody certificate dated 14.01.2026 filed by the learned State counsel, the petitioner has suffered incarceration for more than 3 years and 5 months & 4 days. The petitioner is stated to be 18 years old and has no antecedents.

Suffice to say, the further detention of the petitioner in custody is not required in the facts and circumstances of the case.

7. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned concerned CJM/Duty Magistrate. However, in addition to conditions that may be imposed by the concerned CJM/Duty Magistrate, the petitioner shall remain bound by the following conditions:-

- (i) The petitioner shall not mis-use the liberty granted.
- (ii) The petitioner shall not tamper with any evidence, oral or documentary, during the trial.
- (iii) The petitioner shall not absent himself on any date before the trial.
- (iv) The petitioner shall not commit any offence while on bail.
- (v) The petitioner shall deposit his passport, if any, with the trial Court.
- (vi) The petitioner shall give his cell phone number to the Investigating Officer/SHO of concerned Police Station and shall not change his cell-phone number without prior permission of the trial Court/Illaqha Magistrate.
- (vii) The petitioner shall not in any manner try to delay the trial.

8. In case of breach of any of the aforesaid conditions and those which may be imposed by concerned CJM/Duty Magistrate as directed

hereinabove or upon showing any other sufficient cause, the State/complainant shall be at liberty to move cancellation of bail of the petitioner.

9. Ordered accordingly.
10. Nothing said hereinabove shall be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.
11. Since the main case has been decided, pending miscellaneous application, if any, shall also stands disposed off.

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

January 15, 2026
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No