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

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Date of Decision: 27.02.2026

Mandeep Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

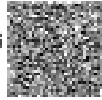
Present: Mr.Sandeep Arora, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr.Raj Karan Singh, AAG, Punjab.

Rajesh Bhardwaj, J. (ORAL)

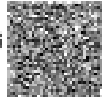
1. Present petition has been filed praying for the grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case bearing FIR No.104, dated 30.07.2023, under Sections 307, 323, 324, 326, 34, 120-B of IPC and Sections 25, 29, 30 of Arms Act (Section 302 IPC added lateron), registered at Police Station Adampur, District Jalandhar Rural.

2. Succinctly, the facts of the case are that FIR in the present case got registered on the statement of complainant, namely, Mahavir Singh. It was alleged that the complainant came out of the jail 15 days ago and on 30.07.2023, he was going to village Padhyana on his motorcycle. On the way, Kulwant Singh, Charanjot Singh @ Jot and 3-4 other boys, who were already standing there, were his co-prisoners. Kulwant Singh threatened the complainant that he had attacked him while he was in jail and thus, they started causing injuries to him. Kulwant Singh fired shots at the complainant with his pistol, which hit on his right side of the chest and right arm. Charanjot Singh @ Jot also hit him with the sickle which hit on his arm as well as on forehead. Kulwant Singh again fired shot at him with his pistol which hit on the right leg of the complainant. After causing injuries to the complainant, they all escaped from the place of occurrence. Thus, the



request was made to take legal action against the accused. On the basis of the same, the FIR was registered. On registration of the FIR, the investigation was commenced. During the investigation, complicity of the petitioner, namely, Mandeep Singh surfaced and thus, he was arrayed as an accused in the present case. He was arrested in this case on 31.08.2023 and lateron, was granted regular bail by learned Additional Sessions Judge, Jalandhar, vide order dated 09.11.2023. Initially, the FIR was registered for the offence under Section 307 IPC, however, complainant, Mahavir Singh subsequently succumbed to the injuries and died on 06.02.2024 and thus, the offence under Section 302 IPC was added and the petitioner was again arrested on 28.02.2024 by the Investigating Agency. The petitioner again approached the Court of learned Additional Sessions Judge, Jalandhar praying for the grant of regular bail. However, after hearing both the sides and finding no merit in the same, learned trial Court dismissed the bail application filed by the petitioner vide order dated 18.07.2024. Earlier the petitioner approached this Court praying for grant of regular bail, however, the same was allowed to dismissed as withdrawn vide order dated 05.08.2025. Hence, the petitioner is again before this Court praying for grant of regular bail by way of filing the present second petition.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner, at the outset, prays for the grant of bail to the petitioner on the basis of parity with that of the co-accused, namely, Manpreet Singh @ Mampy. He has drawn the attention of this Court to the order dated 26.02.2026 passed in **CRM-M-10332-2026**, whereby, co-accused Manpreet Singh @ Mampy has been granted regular bail by this Court. He submits that on the basis of the parity, the petitioner



deserves to be granted bail as the case of the petitioner is similar to that of the said co-accused, who has already been granted bail.

4. Learned State counsel has endorsed the factum of grant of bail to the co-accused of the petitioner as stated above and has not denied that the petitioner is at par with the co-accused, namely, Manpreet Singh @ Mampy. He has placed on record the custody certificate of the petitioner.

5. After hearing learned counsel for the parties and perusing the record, it is deciphered that the petitioner was re-arrested in this case on 28.02.2024. Co-accused, namely, Manpreet Singh @ Mampy is on bail and the case of the petitioner as stated is at par with him. Custody certificate of the petitioner shows that the petitioner has suffered incarceration of 02 years, 01 month & 21 days as on 26.02.2026. It further reflects that the petitioner is involved in four other cases, however, he is on bail in two cases, and in one case, he has completed his sentence.

6. The veracity of the allegations would be assessed only after the conclusion of the trial and on the appreciation of evidence to be led by both the parties before the trial Court. This Court would refrain itself from commenting anything on the merits of the case. The trial of the case will take sufficient long time. Keeping in view the arguments raised by both the sides and perusing the record, this Court is of the opinion that learned counsel for the petitioner succeeds in making out a case for grant of regular bail to the petitioner on the basis of parity with the co-accused who has already been granted the benefit of regular bail.

7 Accordingly, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the



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satisfaction of the concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

8. It is being clarified that in case the petitioner does not furnish bail/surety bonds within a period of one week from today, his custody will not be counted in the present case after one week.

9. Nothing said herein shall be treated as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

27.02.2026
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(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned :	Yes/No
Whether Reportable :	Yes/No