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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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JUDGEMENT RESERVED ON	JUDGEMENT PRONOUNCED ON	OPERATIVE PART PRONOUNCED OR FULL	UPLOADED ON
18.02.2026	26.02.2026	FULL PRONOUNCED	26.02.2026

Rupinderjit Singh...Appellant

Versus

State of Punjab...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANOOP CHITKARA
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SUKHVINDER KAUR

Present: Ms. Simsi Dhir Malhotra, Advocate
for the appellant.

Ms. Pooja Nayar Sharma, DAG, Punjab.

FIR No.	Dated	Police Station	Sections
69	14.05.2015	Goraya, Jalandhar	302, 34, 120B, 472 IPC and 25 of Arms Act

Criminal Case no. before trial Court	CNR No.PBJL010149712025 CIS No.CRM/1994/2025 Date of decision: 14.05.2015
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1. Feeling aggrieved by the imposition of penalty of Rs.2 lacs vide order dated 07.06.2024 passed by the Additional Sessions Judge, petitioner who was surety of main accused, has come up before this Court by filing the present appeal.
2. Counsel for the appellant submits that applicant was a servant and he did not even know what he was standing for and further submits that at that time main accused for whom he stood surety was in jail. Counsel further submits that appellant is a poor person and they would be contended and satisfied if the penalty amount is reduced from Rs.2 lacs to Rs.1 lac.
3. Counsel for the State opposes the above said prayer and submits that due

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opportunity was granted to the petitioner to produce the accused before the Court, despite issuance of notice on 24.04.2026, petitioner failed to turn up on the next date, nor tried to explain the reason of absence of main accused.

4. Given the peculiar facts of this case, petitioner and owner of property came to this Court for the second time, in the entirety of facts and circumstances, prayer of the petitioner is allowed. Amount of penalty is reduced from Rs.2 lacs to Rs.1 lac, subject to the condition that the fine shall be paid by April 30, 2026, failing which this order of reduction shall stand recalled automatically under section 403 BNSS 2023, without any further reference to this Court.

5. The appeal stands disposed of in the above-mentioned terms. Pending applications if any, stand disposed of.

(ANOOP CHITKARA)
JUDGE

(SUKHVINDER KAUR)
JUDGE

26.02.2026

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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes
Whether reportable:	No.