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

CRM-M-69144-2025

Date of decision : 26.02.2026

Ramandeep Singh @ Manna**.....Petitioner****versus****State of Punjab****..... Respondent****CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ**

Present :- Mr. Deepak Bhardwaj, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Raj Karan Singh, AAG, Punjab.

RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

1. Petitioner has approached this Court by way of filing the present petition praying for grant of regular bail to him in case FIR No.48 dated 21.04.2025, under Sections 115(2), 117(2), 117(4), 118(1), 118(2), 126(2), 191(3), 190 and 109 of BNS, 2023, registered at Police Station Lalru, District SAS Nagar, Punjab.

2. Succinctly facts of the case are that the FIR has been registered on the statement of complainant Kulwinder Singh. It was alleged that on 20.04.2025 at about 09:00 PM, his brother Dalwinder Singh @ Rinku was present at his Dhabha being run in the name and style of 'Pradhan Dhabha' at Village Manoli Surat where Karamjit Singh along with Kulbir Singh came at the aforesaid Dhabha and after placing the order, had an heated arguments for some reason. In the meanwhile, Karamjit Singh called his companions namely, Gagandeep Singh, Ramandeep Singh @ Manna (petitioner), Gurjinder Singh, Kulbir Singh who came at the spot along with 7-8 unknown persons along with weapons and attacked his brother Dalwinder Singh @ Rinku and inflicted injuries with sharp edged



weapons on his head and on other body parts and fled away from the spot. Request was made to take legal action against the culprits. Thus, the FIR was registered and investigation commenced. Petitioner was arrested on 23.04.2025. On completion of the investigation, challan was filed and on framing of charges, trial commenced. Petitioner approached the Court of learned Additional Sessions Judge, SAS Nagar, however, after hearing counsel for the parties and finding no merits, the same was declined vide order dated 22.08.2025. Hence, being aggrieved, petitioner is before this Court by way of filing the present petition.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has contended that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. He submits that though the petitioner is named in the FIR however, only allegation against the petitioner is that he was part of the unlawful assembly. He further submits that neither the petitioner was armed with any weapon nor he caused any injury. To buttress his arguments, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has no criminal antecedents. He submits that the investigation is complete, challan is presented. He thus, prays for grant of regular bail to the petitioner.

4. Learned State counsel has vehemently opposed the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner. He has contended that the petitioner was part of the unlawful assembly and caught hold by the injured however, it has not been controverted that he has not caused any injury to the injured. On instructions, he submits that out of 22 prosecution witnesses, none has been examined till date. He has placed on record the custody certificate of the petitioner.

5. After hearing counsel for the parties and perusing the record, it is deciphered from the case that petitioner though has been named in the

FIR however, no injury has been attributed to the petitioner. Custody certificate filed by the State shows that the petitioner has undergone incarceration of 09 months and 27 days as on 25.02.2026. It further reflects that there is no other case against the petitioner. As submitted, out of 22 prosecution witnesses, none has been examined till date.

6. The veracity of the allegations would be assessed only after conclusion of the trial and on the appreciation of evidence to be led by both the parties before the trial Court. The trial of the case will take sufficiently long time. Thus, keeping in view the overall facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is of the opinion that learned counsel for the petitioner succeeds in making out a case for grant of regular bail. Accordingly, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate. Nothing said herein shall be treated as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

26.02.2026
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(**RAJESH BHARDWAJ**)
JUDGE

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