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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-69553-2025
Date of decision: 20.01.2026

SAFAL SINGH .....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB .....Respondent

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

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Present: - Mr. Abhishek Joon, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rituraj Singh, DAG, Punjab.

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VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 483 of The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, for the grant of regular bail in case bearing FIR No. 142 dated 28.05.2025, registered under Section(s) 21-C of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 and (offence under Sections 29 & 27 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 were added later on) at Police Station ANTF, Sector-79, Sohana, Mohali.

2. The FIR in the present case has been registered on the basis of a secret information to the effect that Rohit Teji son of Dharminder Singh and Safal Singh son of Sandeep Singh (petitioner herein), and Bohar Singh son

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of Manjit Singh are engaged in the business of selling Heroin. It was alleged that they were coming to deliver Heroin from Ferozepur on their motorcycle bearing registration No. CH 01 CT 2437, Splendor colour black and if a check post was set up, the accused can be apprehended. Acting on the same, action was taken as per provisions of NDPS Act, 1985.

3. Learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that as per the case of the prosecution, the petitioner was travelling on his motorcycle while two other persons i.e. Rohit Teji and Bohar Singh were on the Activa. After conducting the search, contraband weighing 510 grams of Heroin was recovered from the Activa and not from the petitioner. It is thus submitted that no recovery of any nature whatsoever has been effected from the petitioner and that he is not involved in any other criminal case. He further submits that the petitioner is in custody since 28.05.2025 and even though investigation is complete, the trial has yet not commenced. There are total 18 witnesses cited by the prosecution which are yet to be examined.

4. Learned State Counsel does not dispute the aforesaid facts.

5. Having heard learned counsel appearing on behalf of the respective parties and taking into consideration that the petitioner is young boy aged 21 years with clean antecedents and the fact that no recovery has been effected from the petitioner and that he was travelling separately from the co-accused from whose possession the contraband has been recovered, the stage of trial as well as the period of custody, I deem it appropriate to enlarge the petitioner on regular bail to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

6. The instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bail bond/surety bond to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

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7. It is made clear that the petitioner shall not extend any threat and shall not influence any prosecution witnesses in any manner directly or indirectly.

8. The observation made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression on the merits of the case and the Trial Court shall decide the case on the basis of available material.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether Reportable : Yes/No

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