122 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

2026:PHHC:033136

CRM-M-69518-2025
Date of Decision: 05.03.2026

JUGRAJ SINGH **... PETITIONER**

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB **... RESPONDENT**

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S.GREWAL

Present:- Mr. Bhupinder Bir Singh Randhawa, Advocate for the petitioner.

H.S. GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking regular bail under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) in FIR No.06 dated 25.01.2024, under Sections 308, 452, 323, 148, 149 IPC (Sections 302, 201, 449 of IPC added later on) registered at Police Station Qila Lal Singh, Police District Batala, District Gurdaspur.

2. The case of the prosecution is that petitioner, along with the co-accused, attacked Jagpreet Singh, resulting in his death. The allegation against the petitioner is that he accompanied the co-accused and participated in surrounding him during the incident.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is innocent and has been implicated falsely in the present case. He further submits that no role has been attributed to the petitioner regarding the injuries sustained by the deceased. The petitioner has been apprehended in the present case solely on the basis that he was present at the spot, however, he was empty handed. Even no overt act has been alleged against him. The petitioner is in custody for the last 01 year, 06 months and 09 days.

4. Notice of motion.

5. Mr. Rishabh Singla, A.A.G., Punjab accepts notice on behalf of

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the State and vehemently opposes the prayer for grant of regular bail to the petitioner on the ground of gravity of allegations. Learned State counsel has filed the custody certificate in Court, which is taken on record. As per the custody certificate, the petitioner is in custody for the last 01 year, 06 months and 09 days. Out of total 23 prosecution witnesses, none has been examined so far. The petitioner is involved in two more cases under the NDPS Act.

6. I have heard the learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.

7. After hearing the rival contentions of the learned counsel for the parties and keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case that the petitioner was empty handed; no specific role has been atrribted to him; similarly placed co-accused Bikramjit Singh has already been granted regular bail vide order dated 21.01.2026 passed in CRM-M-71825-2025; the petitioner is in custody for the last 01 year, 06 months and 09 days; charges have been framed; out of total 23 prosecution witnesses, none has been examined so far; the conclusion of trial is likely to take a long time and continuous detention of the petitioner would not serve the ends of justice, this Court deems it fit to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner during the pendency of the trial.

8. Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bail bonds, surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate/Chief Judicial Magistrate concerned.

(H.S.GREWAL)
JUDGE

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

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