



**CRM-M-27624-2025 and another connected case**

-1-

207+230 (2 cases)

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

**Date of Decision:- 19.09.2025**

**(1)**

**CRM-M-27624-2025**

**Sukhjinder Kaur**

...Petitioner

Versus

**State of Punjab**

...Respondent

**(2)**

**CRM-M-36661-2025**

**Boota Singh**

...Petitioner

Versus

**State of Punjab**

...Respondent

**CORAM:-HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE AMARJOT BHATTI**

Present: Mr. Deepinder Brar, Advocate  
for the petitioner(s) in both cases.

Ms. Manjot Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Naveen Sharma, Advocate  
for the complainant in both cases.

**AMARJOT BHATTI, J.(Oral)**

1. Both aforementioned petitions have arisen out of same FIR, therefore, same are taken up together for disposal.

2. Petitioner Sukhjinder Kaur in CRM-M-27624-2025 has filed anticipatory bail petition under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, whereas, petitioner Boota Singh in CRM-M-36661-2025 has filed regular bail petition under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha

**CRM-M-27624-2025 and another connected case****-2-**

Sanhita, 2023, in FIR No. 19 dated 06.04.2025 registered under Sections 80, 3(5) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 at Police Station Nandgarh, District Bathinda (old Section 304-B, 34 IPC).

3. Brief facts of the case are, Jasmail Singh father of deceased victim gave his statement that marriage of his daughter Harpreet Kaur aged about 25 years was performed with Balkaran Singh about one and a half years ago. Out of this wedlock, there was no child. His daughter had studied upto B.A. and she had cleared IELTS. Prior to marriage, she wanted to go abroad and it was assured by husband and in-laws family that they would bear her expenses for sending her abroad. Behaviour of her husband and members of in-laws family changed towards her. They refused to send her abroad. On account of matrimonial dispute, he brought his daughter back to parental home. A Panchayat was convened where it was again agreed that as per agreement they would send his daughter Harpreet Kaur in foreign country and with this condition she was again sent back in matrimonial home. His daughter received papers for her Visa to England. Attitude of her in-laws family again changed and started quarreling with her. On 05.04.2025 at about 06:45 pm, his younger daughter had a talk with victim and they had normal talk with each other. After about half an hour, his wife received call from Karamjit Kaur - mother-in-law of his daughter that Harpreet Kaur was unconscious and was taken to Jain Hospital, Gidderbaha. His daughter expired before reaching hospital. Dead body was kept in mortuary. In fact, in-laws family of his daughter namely Boota Singh, Karamjit Kaur, Balkaran Singh and Sukhjinder Kaur had demanded dowry from him for sending his daughter



abroad. There were signs of injury and blood on her face. With these allegations, present FIR has been registered.

4. Learned counsel for petitioner Sukhjinder Kaur in CRM-M-27624-2025 argued that petitioner is young sister-in-law of deceased victim who is studying in Punjabi University, Patiala. She was granted interim bail by this Court vide order dated 20.05.2025 and accordingly, she has joined investigation. Allegations against entire family are general in nature. Proper procedure was being followed for sending Harpreet Kaur to foreign country. Offer letter, affidavits of Harpreet Kaur and Balkaran Singh are annexed as Annexures P-3 to P-5. Victim was short tempered lady. She had a quarrel with her husband who tried to make her understand. After heated arguments, husband left the room and thereafter, Harpreet Kaur took this extreme step. Petitioner will abide by the terms and conditions of bail order.

5. Regarding petitioner Boota Singh in CRM-M-36661-2025, apart from aforesaid arguments, it is pointed out that he was arrested in this case on 06.04.2025 and since then he is behind the bars. There was no maltreatment or demand of dowry. Unfortunate incident took place under aforesaid facts and circumstances. Petitioner is ready to abide by terms and conditions of bail order.

6. Detailed status report in CRM-M-36661-2025 has been filed. Facts narrated in FIR are confirmed. Copies of Post Mortem Examination Report of deceased victim alongwith Chemical Examiner report and opinion of Board of Doctors are annexed as Annexures R-2 to R-4. After receiving report of Histopathology and Chemical Examiner report, it was

**CRM-M-27624-2025 and another connected case****-4-**

opined as under :-

*“After going through postmortem report findings, Histopathology report vide Path No. 2024. 779 dated 04.07.2025, chemical examiner report vide Despatch No. 2674 dated 19.08.2025 and police papers, no exact cause of death could be opined in this case, however in our opinion possibility of death due to asphyxia as result of aspiration could not be ruled out...”*

Learned counsel representing State pointed out that petitioner Sukhjinder Kaur in CRM-M-27624-2025 has joined investigation, whereas, petitioner Boota Singh in CRM-M-36661-2025 is behind the bars. Other co-accused Balkaran Singh i.e. husband of deceased victim was also arrested on 06.04.2025. Challan was presented before the Illaqa Magistrate on 02.06.2025 and case was committed to the Sessions Court vide Commitment Order dated 20.08.2025.

7. I have considered the arguments and have gone through the record carefully. After completion of investigation, case is committed to the Sessions Court where trial is yet to commence. Post Mortem Report as well as opinion regarding cause of death is already received. Facts and allegations levelled against petitioners are matter of trial. Sukhjinder Kaur is unmarried sister-in-law of deceased victim who herself is a student and she has already joined investigation. No purpose would be served by sending her behind the bars. Therefore, interim bail already granted to petitioner Sukhjinder Kaur in CRM-M-27624-2025 vide order dated 20.05.2025 stands confirmed subject to the terms and conditions as detailed under Section 482(2) Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.

8. So far as petitioner Boota Singh in CRM-M-36661-2025 is concerned, he has already joined investigation and is behind the bars since 06.04.2025. Trial in this case is yet to start. He is ready to abide by terms

**CRM-M-27624-2025 and another connected case**

-5-

and conditions of bail order. Considering the factual position, regular bail petition filed by petitioner Boota Singh in CRM-M-36661-2025 is, accordingly, allowed. He is ordered to be released on bail on furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Duty Judge concerned.

9. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, in both cases, stand disposed of accordingly as well.

10. A photocopy of this order be placed on the file of connected case mentioned above.

19.09.2025

*lalit***(AMARJOT BHATTI)  
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:  
Whether reportable:

Yes/No  
Yes/No