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

(219)

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Date of Decision:-08.10.2025

Baljeet Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ALOK JAIN

Present: Mr. Pardeep Kumar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sahil Chowdhary, AAG, Punjab.

ALOK JAIN, J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed *inter alia* praying for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 132 dated 20.08.2024 under Sections 64 and 61(2) of BNS, 2023, registered at Police Station Jhunir, District Mansa.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the only role attributed towards the petitioner in the FIR, is that he has helped the main accused. It is submitted that the petitioner happened to be the owner of the cafe where the main accused and the prosecutrix came and the alleged offence was committed. Apart from the above, no other allegation has been levelled against him. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the petitioner is in custody for the last more than one year.

3. Learned State counsel has filed the custody certificate of the petitioner in Court today, which is taken on record, according to which the petitioner is in custody for the last 01 year, 01 month and 15 days as on



07.10.2025 and has submitted 06 out of 21 witnesses have been examined, 01 given up and the remaining 14 has yet to be examined. Learned State counsel further submits that the complainant has been examined and has turned hostile.

4. Heard learned counsel for the parties at length.

5. In light of the above and considering the fact that the petitioner is in custody for the last more one year and the fact that the trial is likely to take a long time, therefore, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner in custody, hence, the petitioner is entitled to the grant of the concession of regular bail.

6. Without commenting upon the merits of the case, the present petition stands allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail if not required in any other case on furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned. The petitioner shall, however, be released on the following conditions:

- i The petitioner shall declare his ordinary place of residence and the mobile number used by him.
- ii The petitioner will not switch off his mobile and in case of any technical glitch, he has to give an alternate number, which will be available in his absence.
- iii The petitioner will mark his presence before the SHO concerned, after every 15 days and in case the SHO refuses to mark his presence, he is permitted to make an application before the Illaqa Magistrate, concerned.
- iv The petitioner will not leave the country without the prior permission of the Court, for which he will submit the copy of his passport also. However, in case the petitioner does not possess a passport, then he shall file an undertaking to the said effect before being released.



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The petitioner shall abide by the terms and conditions as imposed in addition to Section 483 of BNSS, 2023.

7. However, nothing stated above shall be construed as a final expression of opinion on the merits of the case and this order shall not be considered as parity *qua* any other co-accused in any manner whatsoever.

8. It is further made clear that, in case, the petitioner is found involved in any such activity once again, the State is at liberty to promptly move an appropriate application for cancellation of bail detailing out the circumstances and violation of conditions of bail.

(ALOK JAIN)
JUDGE

October 08, 2025

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