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

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Date of decision : 11.09.2025

Gurwinder Singh

... Appellant

Versus

State of Punjab

.. Respondent

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

Present:- Mr. Atul Lakhanpal, Sr. Advocate assisted by  
Mr. Karan Jangra, Advocate and  
Mr. Raahat Kataria, Advocate for the appellant.

Mr. Rishabh Singla, AAG, Punjab.

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**H.S. Grewal, J.(Oral)**

1. Feeling aggrieved by the judgment and order of conviction dated 25.09.2012 and order of sentence of even date passed by the learned Judge, Special Court, Kapurthala in case FIR No.116 dated 27.05.2007 under Section 18 of Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Act'), registered at Police Station Sadar, Phagwara, the appellant has come up before this Court by filing the present appeal.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that during the pendency of this appeal, the appellant has expired. Thus, it is pleaded by learned counsel appearing on behalf of the appellant that widow of the deceased-appellant is facing hardship and would not be able to pay the fine and recovery of fine would lead to undue hardship.

3. Learned State counsel has filed the custody certificate in the Court today and the same is taken on record. He has not disputed the aforesaid fact.



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4. In view of the above, the present appeal is disposed of as having been abated.

5. However, insofar as the quantum of fine of Rs.40,000/- imposed by the trial Court is concerned, the same is reduced to Rs.5000/-.

**(H.S.GREWAL)**  
**JUDGE**

**11.09.2025**

Anjal

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