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

**CRM-M No.29181 of 2025
Date of Decision: 03.09.2025**

Chetan @ Chintu

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present: Mr. Balvinder Sangwan, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ms. Himani Arora, DAG, Haryana,
for the respondent-State.

MANISHA BATRA, J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed by the petitioner under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (For short "BNSS") seeking regular bail in the FIR mentioned below:-

FIR No.	Dated	Police Station	Sections
262	12.10.2018	Chhainsa, District Faridabad	148, 149, 323, 325, 341, 379-B and 506 of IPC and 25 of Arms Act, 1959

2. The petitioner has been booked for commission of aforementioned offences and is facing trial for the same on the allegations that on 12.10.2018, he along with the co-accused had assaulted the complainant Surender Singh, snatched a sum of Rs.18,000/- from his pocket and had taken away his gold chain. The petitioner had been extended benefit of bail initially. However, he absented himself on

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13.05.2019 due to which his bail was cancelled and bonds were forfeited to the State. He was declared a proclaimed person on 24.04.2023. He was arrested again and is in custody since 13.02.2025.

3. It is argued by learned counsel for the petitioner that he was not named in the FIR and his name cropped up on the basis of supplementary statement of the complainant Surender Singh recorded after a gap of one and half months from the date of occurrence. No specific act had been attributed to him. Even the co-accused had not disclosed anything about his participation in the subject crime. His absence was not intentional. He has been extended benefit of bail in some of other cases registered against him. He is ready to abide by the terms and conditions for grant of bail. It is, therefore, urged that he deserves to be released on bail.

4. Status report has been filed. It is argued by learned Deputy Advocate General, Haryana that there are serious allegations against the petitioner. He is a habitual offender since as many as 20 other cases have been registered against him. He was even declared a proclaimed person. There are chances of his absconding again and committing similar offences if extended benefit of bail. It is, therefore, urged that the petition does not deserve to be allowed.

5. This Court has considered the rival submissions.

6. The petitioner absented himself on 13.05.2019 and now he is in custody since 13.02.2025. No doubt, he is stated to be involved in 20 more cases and was declared a proclaimed person in this case. However,

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now he is in custody for a period of more than six and half months. Even charges have not been framed so far and trial will obviously take considerable time to conclude. Keeping in view the nature of the subject offences, the part played by the petitioner in the same, the period of his incarceration and the attendant facts and circumstances but without meaning to make any comment on the merits of the case, this Court is of the opinion that he deserves to be released on bail. Accordingly, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be admitted to bail during the pendency of the trial subject to his furnishing personal bonds as well as surety bonds by two sureties to the satisfaction of learned trial Court/CJM/Duty Magistrate concerned. He shall deposit his passport, if any, with the learned trial Court. He will also disclose his present as well as permanent address before the learned trial Court at the time of furnishing of bonds and shall also give copy of his Aadhar Card, PAN Card if any and details of his mobile phone number(s) to the learned trial Court and in case, any change in his address or mobile phone number takes place, then he shall inform about the same to the learned trial Court in advance.

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(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No