



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

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**CRM-M-57315-2024 (O&M)
Date of decision: 20.08.2025**

AKASH @ VIKAS

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.. Respondent

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

Present:- Mr. Sandeep Singh Jattan, Advocate and
Mr. Sundeep Kaur, Advocate
for the petitioner.

H.S. Grewal, J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 439 of Code of Criminal Procedure, seeking regular bail in FIR No.14 dated 11.02.2020 under Section 22(C) of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substance Act, 1985 registered at Police Station Sadar Phagwara, District Kapurthala.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner was driving car bearing no.PB-10-CC-2436 from which a bag containing 18 injections of Buprenorphine Hydrochloride and 15 injections without label, was recovered. The co-accused namely Aman vide order dated 14.5.2024 in CRM-M-23167-2024 passed by a Coordinate Bench of this Court and the other co-accused namely Rohit @ Rohan @ Hunny vide order dated 21.10.2024 in CRM-M-50565-2024 passed by a Coordinate Bench of this Court, have been granted the concession of regular bail. The petitioner is seeking bail on the basis of parity with his co-accused in the present case.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. He further contends that the petitioner has



undergone custody period of 01 year, 07 months and 10 days and out of 11 cited witnesses, only 4 have been examined so far.

4. Notice of motion.

5. Mr. Amit Rana, Sr. DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

6. Learned counsel for the State by way of filing of custody certificate, vehemently opposes the grant of concession of regular bail and does not refute the fact that the petitioner has undergone custody period of 01 year, 07 months and 10 days and out of 11 cited witnesses, only 04 have been examined so far.

7. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have gone through the material placed on record.

8. Keeping in view the above facts and circumstances and the fact that the custody period undergone by the petitioner is 01 year, 07 months and 10 days; out of 11 cited witnesses, only 04 have been examined so far and since, the conclusion of the trial is likely to take a long time, further incarceration of the petitioner would not serve the ends of justice. Therefore this Court deems it fit to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

9. Hence, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is **allowed**. The petitioner is granted concession of regular bail in the present case, on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate/ Chief Judicial Magistrate concerned. The pending applications, if any, also stand disposed of.

10. It is however, made clear that in case during his bail, if the petitioner indulges in any offence, the State shall be at liberty to file an application for cancellation of bail of the petitioner.



11. Pending applications, if any, also stand disposed of.

20th August, 2025

Sonia Puri

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

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