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

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Decided on: October 13, 2025**

**Manikaran Singh @ Money****.....Petitioner****Versus****State of Punjab****.....Respondent****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH**

Present: Ms. Dolli Sharma, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Manjinder Singh Bhullar, DAG, Punjab.

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**SANJAY VASHISTH, J.**

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 439 Cr.P.C.), for grant of regular bail to the petitioner, during the pendency of trial, who has been booked in a criminal case arising out of First Information Report, as detailed hereunder:-

<b>Name of Petitioner</b>	<b>FIR No.</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Section(s)</b>	<b>Police Station</b>	<b>District</b>
<b>Manikaran Singh @ Money</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>04.07.2025</b>	<b>21, 27-A, 29 and 61 of the NDPS Act, 1985</b>	<b>Chattiwind</b>	<b>Amritsar Rural</b>

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the recovery in the instant case is only 10 grams of Heroin, which is an intermediate quantity, i.e. double of the small quantity. It has also been alleged that drug money of Rs.300/- only was also recovered from the petitioner. The petitioner is inside jail since 04.07.2025. Further submits that a false case



has been planted against the petitioner and no such recovery of the contraband, as alleged in the FIR, was actually effected from his conscious possession. Investigation in the present case is complete.

Referring to para No. 10 of the present petition, learned counsel submits that two more cases under the NDPS Act have been registered against the petitioner in the same police station. In first case, 10 grams of Heroin was shown to have been recovered from the petitioner, while in the second case 20 grams of Heroin was recovered from the co-accused, and on his disclosure statement the petitioner was nominated in the second case. However, in both the earlier cases the petitioner has already been granted bail by the trial Court. The details of the said FIRs is as under:

FIR Details	Role and recovery	Status
FIR No. 03, dated 20.01.2025, under Sections 21 and 61 of the NDPS Act, Police Station Chattiwind, District Amritsar	10 grams of Heroin	Regular bail was granted by Court of Judge, Special Court, Amritsar, vide order dated 27.02.2025 (Annexure P-3)
FIR No. 22, dated 08.04.2025, under Sections 21 and 29 of the NDPS Act, Police Station Chattiwind, District Amritsar	20 grams of Heroin recovered from co-accused. The petitioner was involved on the basis of disclosure statement of co-accused.	Regular bail was granted by Court of Judge, Special Court, Amritsar, vide order dated 19.05.2025 (Annexure P-4)

Learned counsel for the petitioner, thus, submits that the police is involving the petitioner in false cases time and again. As soon as the petitioner comes out of jail after grant of bail in one case, he is involved in another case under the NDPS Act on regular intervals. Thus, prays for grant of bail to the petitioner in the present case.



3. On advance notice and in response to the arguments addressed by learned counsel for the petitioner, learned State counsel does not dispute much on the factual aspects. However, while opposing the prayer for bail submits that as of now total three cases under the NDPS Act have already been registered against the petitioner, which shows that he is an habitual offender. Thus, the petitioner deserves no leniency as regards grant of bail is concerned.

4. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and with their able assistance perused the relevant material available on record. Undoubtedly, the petitioner, who is aged about 27 years, has been apprehended second time with 10 grams of Heroin, as alleged by the prosecution. However, allegations in all the three cases registered against the petitioner are yet to be proved by the prosecution before the trial Court. As of now, the petitioner is not a convict in any of the case under the NDPS Act. Being a young boy, the petitioner is required to be afforded a chance to rehabilitate himself, by taking recourse of reformation and reintegration into society.

5. In view of totality of circumstances, the facts/allegations levelled against the petitioner, and the factors noticed hereinabove, I deem it appropriate to grant the concession of bail to the petitioner.

6. Consequently, prayer made in the present petition is **allowed**. Petitioner is ordered to be released on bail, subject to his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/ Chief Judicial Magistrate/ Illaqa Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate concerned, if not required in any other case.

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7. Needless to observe that the petitioner shall not extend any threat and shall not influence any prosecution witness in any manner directly or indirectly.

8. The observation made hereabove shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the facts of the case and the trial Court is expected to decide the case by taking an independent view, on the basis of evidence available on record, as expeditiously as possible, in accordance with law.

9. It is further made clear that if, in future, petitioner is directly found indulged in similar kind of activities, this order shall be deemed to be cancelled.

10. Petition stands disposed of.

**(SANJAY VASHISTH)**  
**JUDGE**

**October 13, 2025**  
P Kapoor

Whether Speaking/Reasoned: **YES/NO**  
Whether Reportable: **YES/NO**