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

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Date of Decision: 11.09.2025

**HARPREET SINGH ALIAS HAPPY****... PETITIONER****VERSUS****STATE OF PUNJAB****... RESPONDENT****CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S.GREWAL**

Present:- Mr. Lovish Rattan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rishabh Singla, AAG, Punjab.

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

1. This petition has been filed for grant of regular bail under Section 483 of the BNSS (erstwhile Section 439 of Cr.P.C) in case FIR No. 154 dated 16.11.2017 under Sections 379-B, 342 and 411 of IPC registered at Police Station Chattiwind, District Amritsar.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner alongwith his co-accused is alleged to have forcibly taken the possession of truck transporting bags of Basmati Rice

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case and he has undergone the custody of 07 years, 03 months and 14 days as of today.

4. Learned State counsel has filed the custody certificate of the petitioner in the Court today and the same is taken on record. As per custody certificate, the petitioner is in custody for the last 07 years 03 months and 14 days. It is also submitted by him that the present petitioner is involved in many



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other cases of such similar nature. Therefore, he opposes the grant of bail to the present petitioner.

5. I have heard the learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.

6. Keeping in view the above and the fact that although the present petitioner is involved in many cases of similar nature, however, he has undergone the custody of 07 years, 03 months and 14 days as of today and the continuous detention of the petitioner would not serve the ends of justice, therefore, this Court deems it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner during the pendency of the trial.

7. Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bail bonds, surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate/Chief Judicial Magistrate concerned.

8. It is clarified that if on bail so granted through the instant order, the applicant is found indulging in any other criminal case it shall be open to the State to seek cancellation of his bail.

9. Pending application(s), if any, also stands disposed of accordingly.

**11.09.2025**  
*Anjal*

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

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