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

**CRM-M-33927-2025**

**Date of Decision:24.07.2025**

Jashandeep Singh @ Bhura

...Petitioner

vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

**Coram :** Hon'ble Mr. Justice N.S.Shekhawat

**Present :** Mr. Amit Arora, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ravneet Singh Joshi, DAG, Punjab.

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**N.S.Shekhawat J. (Oral)**

1. The petitioner has filed the instant petition under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 with a prayer to grant regular bail to him in case FIR No.16 dated 06.05.2022 registered under Sections 21, 25, 29 of NDPS Act (offence under Section 27-A of NDPS Act and Section 25 Arms Act, 1959 added later on), at Police Station State Special Operation Cell, Amritsar, District Intelligence Wing.

2. The FIR in the present case was registered on the basis of the statement made by SI Jagdeep Singh and the same has been reproduced below:-

*“Chief Officer, Police Station State Special Operation Cell, Amritsar, Jai Hind, today the police party including me SI is riding in the government vehicle along with the mobile computer van in the search area for the bad men. Manawala, Police Station Lopoke District Amritsar was present when a special informant came and informed that Hardeep Singh son of Baj Singh resident of village Chak Misri Khan Amritsar had formed an international smuggling gang which was in contact with the notorious*

*smugglers of Pakistan. The consignments of heroin are procured legally from Pakistani wire and then supplied to different cities of Punjab and India. That today Hardeep Singh is coming towards them on his motorcycle Splendor No. PB14-7104 black in color to deliver a large consignment of heroin to a party can be controlled with large amounts of heroin. As the said report is true and actionable, it was brought to the notice of the officers, who, along with Sub Inspector Harpreet Singh, Traffic Inspector Inderdeep Singh and other colleagues, had already searched the area for the search of the bad guy with the mobile computer van in government vehicles. Regarding the information received from non-residents, instructions were given accordingly to take action and the senior officers have been charged by Bala Man SI under 21, 25, 29 NDPS Act by hand writing HC Barinder Singh No. 2672 /INT is sent to Police Station SSOC Amritsar to register the case. The case number should be filed and a special report should be issued and the control room should be notified. Area Manawala, Police Station Lopoke District Amritsar. Time at 6.10 pm Correct/-SI Jagdeep Singh.”*

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the FIR was initially registered in the present case on the basis of the secret information against Hardeep Singh and Hardeep Singh was apprehended with 2 Kg of Heroin and Rs.7 Lakhs as drug money. During the course of investigation, Hardeep Singh suffered a disclosure statement and Rajinder Kumar and Jagjit Singh were arrested on the basis of the same. Subsequently, on the strength of the statement made by Rajinder Kumar, Inderjit Singh was nominated as an accused. Thereafter, on disclosure of Rajinder Kumar, the petitioner was also nominated as an accused in the present case and he was arrested on 21.06.2023. Learned counsel further contends that the petitioner is in custody for the last 02

years and 01 month and no witness has been examined so far. He further contends that similarly placed co-accused, namely, Inderjeet Singh alias Malli has already been granted the concession of bail by this Court, vide order dated 12.11.2024 passed in CRM-M-25488-2024 (Annexure P-3). No useful purpose will be served by further detention of the petitioner in custody. Thus, it is prayed that he may be released on regular bail. In support of his contentions, learned counsel for the petitioner has relied upon judgments in (i) **CRM-M-37684-2021, Balwinder Singh vs. State of Punjab**, decided on 14.02.2022; (ii) **CRM-M-8212-2022, Tajinder Singh vs. State of Punjab**, decided on 03.03.2022 and (iii) **CRM-M-35186-2016, Manjit Kaur @ Jeeto vs. State of Punjab**, decided on 01.12.2016.

4. On the other hand, learned State counsel has vehemently opposed the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner on the ground that serious allegations have been levelled against the present petitioner and he does not deserve the concession of bail by this Court.

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

6. It is not in dispute that similarly placed co-accused, namely, Inderjeet Singh alias Malli has already been granted the concession of bail by this Court, vide order dated 12.11.2024 passed in CRM-M-25488-2024 (Annexure P-3). Thus, keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case, custody period of the petitioner and also the fact that the quantity of alleged contraband is marginally above the 'commercial quantity', but without commenting on merits of the case, I am of the considered view that the petitioner deserves the concession of regular bail.

7. Therefore, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on furnishing of bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate concerned.

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(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)  
JUDGE

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