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

CRM-M-15674-2024

Date of decision:-22.05.2025

RAJU SINGH ALIAS LADEN

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY.

Present:- Mr. Kulwinder Singh, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Roshandeep Singh, Punjab.

SANJIV BERRY, J.(ORAL)

Learned State counsel has filed custody certificate dated 21.05.2025, the same is taken on record, copy thereof, has been supplied to the counsel opposite.

2. The instant petition has been preferred by the petitioners under 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, for grant of regular bail in the following case:-

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
53	10.03.2023	307, 458, 380, 323, 427, 148, 149 IPC (326, 325 IPC added later on)	City Rampura, District Bathinda

3. Arguments heard.

4. It is *inter alia* contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case.



He contends that the petitioner is in custody since 03.06.2023, challan has already been presented in Court and as per allegations levelled in the FIR, the injury attributed to the petitioner is simple with blunt weapon, which cannot be construed as dangerous to life in any manner. The conclusion of trial will take sufficient long time, hence, prayed for grant of concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

5. *Per contra*, learned State counsel referring to the reply submitted by the State has opposed the bail petition on the ground that petitioner had actively participated in the occurrence, wherein he along with co-accused had attacked the complainant with an intent to kill him, however, on query he clarified that the injury attributed to the petitioner is injury No.1 which has been found simple and caused with blunt weapon.

6. After considering the rival contentions and perusing the record, it transpires that as per the allegations levelled against the petitioner, he had caused injury with reverse side of axe on the complainant and the said injury has been found simple in nature, caused with blunt weapon. The injury attributed to the petitioner is not construed dangerous to life. The petitioner is not having any criminal antecedents and is in custody since 03.06.2023, after completion of investigation, challan has already been presented in Court, wherein prosecution has cited 21 witnesses and till date none of them have been examined. The conclusion of trial to ascertain criminal liability, if any, of the petitioner will take sufficient long time, as such, no purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner in custody any longer.

7. Resultantly, in these circumstances, without commenting on the



merits of the case, the present petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on bail subject to furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned Trial Court concerned, if not required in any other case; undertaking to regularly appear on each and every date; not to leave the country without prior permission of the Court; and not to tamper with the evidence of the prosecution in any manner.

8. Any observation made above shall not be construed as opinion of this Court on the merits of the case.

9. Pending application(s) if any shall also stand disposed of.

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

22.05.2025

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |