



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

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CRM-M-39377-2025

Date of decision: 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2025

Gurpreet Singh @ Pitti

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA**

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

Ms. Sakshi Bakshi, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

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**MANISHA BATRA, J (ORAL):-**

Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (*for short 'BNSS'*), is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in FIR No. 156 dated 19.12.2024, registered under Section 105 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 at Police Station City-1 Mansa, District Mansa.

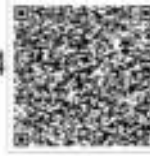
2. Brief facts of the case relevant for the disposal of the present petition are that the aforementioned FIR had been registered on 19.12.2024 on the basis of the statement got recorded by complainant Gurnaib Singh @ Ghetta alleging therein that on 18.12.2024, at about 10:30 AM, one Jaspreet Singh Jassi made a telephonic call to his son Gurjit Singh asking him to send his brother Gurmit Singh (another son of the complainant) to him as they had to go for some work. Thereafter, Gurmit Singh went with Jaspreet Singh but did not return home. The complainant made search for him but could not



trace him. On 19.12.2024, the complainant came to know that his son Gurmit Singh was lying unconscious near a tower. He was rushed to the hospital, whereby he was declared to be brought dead. While alleging that the death of his son had occurred due to giving *Chitta* (heroin) by Jaspreet Singh and there might be some more persons with him, the complainant prayed for taking legal action against him. Thereafter, on 23.12.2024, Gurpreet Singh, son of the complainant, made a supplementary statement to the police naming one Mewa Singh @ Meva Singh, petitioner Gurpreet Singh @ Peeti, Mandeep Singh @ Deep Singh @ Deepu, Lakhwinder Singh @ Arshu, Jaspal Singh @ Gaggi, Kali, Gurpreet Singh @ Teeti, Gurbhej Singh @ Bheja and Satnam Singh @ Kaka Bhau as the persons who were involved in giving heroin to his deceased brother Gurmit Singh. On the basis of the same, the petitioner and other co-accused have been nominated in this case. The petitioner was arrested on 21.03.2025. Investigation now stands completed.

3. It is argued by learned counsel for the petitioner that he was not named in the FIR and has been nominated as an accused on the basis of supplementary statement of the brother of the victim. The victim himself was a drug addict and has died due to overdose of drug. He has been in custody since 21.03.2025. Co-accused have been extended benefit of regular bail. On parity, he too deserves to be released on bail. No recovery is to be effected from him. His further incarceration would not serve any useful purpose. It is, therefore, urged that the petition deserves to be released on bail.

4. Status report has been filed by respondent-State. While



controverting the contentions as raised by petitioner's counsel, it is argued by learned State counsel that there are serious allegations against the petitioner who is a habitual offender and against whom seven criminal cases, five of which are under the provisions of NDPS Act, have been registered showing his complicity in the crime as being involved in supply of contraband, he had supplied the same to the victim resulting in his death. It is, therefore, argued that the petition does not deserve to be allowed.

5. This Court has heard learned counsel for the parties at considerable length.

6. As per the allegations, on 18.12.2024, the victim, who was son of the complainant, had gone out of his house with co-accused Jaspreet Singh Jassi but did not return home. On the next day, his dead body was found lying near a tower. Initially, the petitioner was not named in the FIR but after a gap of four days, supplementary statement of the son of the complainant was recorded, wherein the petitioner along with certain other persons were named as the persons, who used to supply heroin to the victim. Except the aforesaid supplementary statement, which was in fact made after the delay of four days from the incident, there is nothing on record to connect the petitioner with the subject crime, at this stage. Though he is stated to be involved in the some other cases but cannot be denied benefit of bail due to that reason. He has been in custody since 21.03.2025. The co-accused Mandeep, Gurpreet, Mewa Singh, Gurbhej and Satnam have been extended benefit of bail. Keeping in view the above discussed facts of the case and on parity, but without meaning to make any comment on the merits thereof, I am of the considered opinion that the petition deserves to be



allowed. Hence, the same is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate concerned.

7. Since the main petition has been allowed, pending application, if any, is rendered infructuous.

**[MANISHA BATRA]**  
**JUDGE**

**17<sup>th</sup> September, 2025**

*Parveen Sharma*

<i>1. Whether speaking/ reasoned</i>	:	<i>Yes / No</i>
<i>2. Whether reportable</i>	:	<i>Yes / No</i>