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

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Date of decision : 29.04.2025

Gurpreet Singh @ Gopi

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.. Respondent

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S.GREWAL**

Present:- Mr. Kartikeya Swaroop Mehta, Advocate  
for the petitioner in CRM-M-44061-2024.

Mr. Amandeep Singh Samra, AAG, Punjab.

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**H.S. Grewal, J.(Oral)****CRM-718-2025**

This application is for placing on record the rejoinder to the status report filed by the State of Punjab.

2. Heard.

3. For the reasons stated in the application, the same is allowed and rejoinder to the status report is taken on record subject to all just exceptions.

**Main cases**

The petitioner is seeking regular bail under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 in FIR No.2 dated 06.01.2022, under Sections 307, 120-B IPC, Sections 25, 25(6), 25(7) of the Arms Act and Sections 3, 4 & 5 of the Explosive Substances Act, registered at Police Station Mehna, District Moga.



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2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with other co-accused(s) were sitting in a vehicle which was intercepted by the police party on 06.01.2022. They were signaled by the police party to stop the vehicle but the accused tried to flee therefrom. The driver and the persons sitting inside the vehicle were having pistols and one of them was holding a hand grenade. The accused person carrying pistols aimed at the police party to kill them whereas the accused who was holding hand grenade tried to throw it at the police party with an intention to kill them. However, all were nabbed by the police party. The petitioner was apprehended along with a pistol and 06 live cartridges. He later disclosed the names of other co-accused including Arshdeep Singh @ Arsh, on whose directions, he took the weapons. Learned counsel further submits that the petitioner is in custody for over 03 years and 03 months.

3. Learned State counsel vehemently opposes the prayer for grant of regular bail to the petitioner. He has filed the custody certificate in Court which indicates that the petitioner is in custody for 03 years, 03 months & 11 days. He, while referring to the status report filed by way of an affidavit of Deputy Superintendent of Police, Dharamkot, District Moga, submits that the petitioner is involved in six more cases. He, upon instructions, submits that 04 out of 24 prosecution witnesses have been examined.

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

5. In view of the seriousness of the offence especially when the petitioner is stated to be armed with a pistol along with 06 live cartridges of 9



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MM each while his accomplice (co-accused) was having a hand grenade and they tried to kill the police party; he is stated to be involved in six more cases, therefore, this Court is not inclined to grant regular bail to the petitioner and the petition is hereby dismissed.

6. However, keeping in view the facts that the petitioner is in custody for 03 years, 03 months & 11 days and the trial is moving at a very slow pace as only 04 out of 24 prosecution witnesses have been examined so far, the trial Court is requested to expedite the trial and to conclude the same preferably within a period of six months from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

7. It is also clarified that the observations made hereinabove would not have any bearing on the merits of the case.

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

**29.04.2025**  
A.Kaundal

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