



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-34941-2025 (O&M)

Date of decision: 29.09.2025

Sukhwinder Singh @ Ladi

...Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

State of Punjab

...Respondent(s)

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present :- Mr. Karnesh Verma, Advocate for the petitioner(s)
(through V.C.)

Mr. Saurav Verma, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

The instant second petition has been filed for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case bearing FIR No.153 dated 28.08.2023 registered under Sections 15, 18, 25/61/85 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 at Police Station Sadar Khanna, District Ludhiana. The earlier petition of the petitioner was dismissed as withdrawn vide order dated 18.07.2024 passed by this Court.

At the outset, learned State counsel informs this Court that the prosecution evidence is at a fag end as only one prosecution witness remains to be examined and the next date before the trial Court is 13.10.2025.

Under the given circumstances and noticing the stage of the trial, I do not deem it appropriate to enlarge the petitioner on regular bail, however, the trial Court is directed to make an endeavor for expeditious



conclusion of the prosecution evidence.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is the sole breadwinner for his family and health of his parents is also not good. The petitioner has been in custody since 28.08.2023. He contends that the trial is pending for securing the presence of a lone witness i.e. an official concerned from the office of R.T.A. Sangrur, however, he has been not appearing. He also points out that there is non-compliance of provision of Section 42 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.

It is made clear that the salary of the R.T.A. Sangrur be not released till such time the authorized person completes his deposition before the trial Court.

Copy of this order be handed over to the learned State counsel under signatures of the Bench Secretary of this Court for ensuring the compliance of the same.

Disposed of as withdrawn in above terms.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

29.09.2025

Mangal Singh

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