



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

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CRM-M-27188-2025
Date of decision: 22.05.2025

Ashok Kumar @ Sokha

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

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

Present : Ms. Navjot Kaur, Advocate, for
Mr. B. S. Bhalla, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Gautam Thapar, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

H.S. GREWAL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner is seeking regular bail under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 in FIR No.29 dated 12.02.2025, under Sections 109, 190, 191, 351(3), 324(4) of BNS and Sections 25, 27 of the Arms Act, 1959, registered at Police Station City Tarn Taran.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the prosecution case is that co-accused had fired shots at the gate of the complainant. Petitioner was named in the FIR on the basis of statement made by co-accused. In the incident, no injury was caused to any body. The petitioner has been in custody since 12.02.2025 and has undergone 3 months and 4 days as of today. He further submits that since trial is likely to take some time, the continuous detention of the petitioner during the pendency of the trial would not serve ends of justice, as such, he be released on bail.

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 is taken on record. As per the custody certificate, the petitioner is in custody for 03 months and 4 days.

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

5. In view of the above submission of learned counsel(s), since the trial is likely to take time and the fact that the petitioner is in custody since 12.02.2025, the continuous detention of the petitioner would not serve the ends of justice. Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner during the pendency of the trial.

6. Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bail bonds, surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate/Chief Judicial Magistrate concerned.

7. However, it is made clear that in case the petitioner misuses the concession of bail, the State would be at liberty to seek cancellation of his bail.

(H.S. GREWAL)
JUDGE

22.05.2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No
Whether reportable : Yes / No