

**State Vs Muzammil BA/198/2025
CNR NO.PBLDA10023672025**

**FIR No.88 dated 21.06.2025
U/s 11(1), 11(2) of the Prevention of
Cruelty to animals Act, 1960 & 8 of the
Punjab Prohibition of Cow Slaughter Act,
1955**

Present: Sh. Harjinder Singh, APP for the State.
Sh.J.S.Randhawa Adv.for the applicant/accused Muzammil.

ORDER

Heard on the bail application filed by accused Muzammil Singh through counsel. It is submitted that the applicant/accused has been falsely implicated in the present case by the police. The applicant has not committed any offence as alleged in the FIR. The applicant is quite innocent. That the applicant has been in judicial lockup since 21.06.2025. The police have completed all the necessary formalities in the present FIR. That the applicant is a mere driver on daily wages and as usual he was doing his transportation job. There is no evidence of alleged cruelty, nor any medical record of injury or harm to the bulls. That it will take a long time to present the challan in the Court and no useful purpose would be served by detaining the applicant in custody. Hence, a prayer for allowing the bail application of accused/applicant has been made.

2. The ld. APP for the State opposed the application on the ground of seriousness of the offence and its sensitivity in the local context, but admitted that the investigation is largely documentary in nature and the recovery, if any has already been effected and a prayer for dismissal of the application has been made.

Aashia Jindal, Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Khanna (UID No.PB0666)

3. Perusal of the remand papers shows that the instant FIR has been lodged on the basis of complaint moved by Rupinder Singh ATO, Ludhiana through his Mobile phone to the effect that in a truck bearing no.UK17 CA 0766 there was loaded bulls more than the capacity. Accordingly, after investigation present FIR u/s 11(1), 11(2) of the Prevention of Cruelty to animals Act, 1960 & 8 of the Punjab Prohibition of Cow Slaughter Act, 1955 was registered against the applicant/accused.

4. I have heard the rival submissions and perused the record. The alleged offence though cognizable and non bailable under the Punjab Prohibition Cows Slaughter Act but in the present case, FIR does not reveal any act of slaughtering prima facie. Also the offence under section 11 of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act is bailable and pertains to general cruelty of neglect to animals.

5. Considering the stage of investigation, the nature of allegations, period of custody undergone and the fact that no custodial interrogation is required at this stage, I am of the considered opinion that no useful purpose would be served by keeping the accused in further custody. Accordingly, the bail application of the applicant/accused stands allowed subject to furnishing bail bonds in sum of Rs. 35,000/-with one surety in the like amount. Requisite bail bonds and surety bonds not furnished. Present bail application stands disposed off. Papers be tagged with the remand papers.

Pronounced in open Court:
Dated:09.07.2025
(Ladwant Kaur/STG/II)

(Aashia Jindal),PCS,
Judicial Magistrate Ist Class,
Khanna/PB0666