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

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Decided on : 13.05.2026**

Ramesh Pal @ Babba

. . . Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

. . . Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH

Present : Mr. Vikkrant K. Vij, Advocate for
Mr. G.S. Bawa, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Manjinder Singh Bhullar, DAG Punjab

SANJAY VASHISTH, J. (Oral)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 439 Cr.P.C.), for grant of regular bail to the petitioner, during the pendency of trial, who has been booked in a criminal case arising out of First Information Report, as detailed hereunder:-

Name of Petitioner(s)	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Ramesh Pal @ Babba, aged 49 years	62	26.02.2025	21(c), 27-A, 29 of NDPS Act and Section 111 of BNS, 2023	Civil Lines Batala	Gurdaspur, Punjab

2. FIR was registered on 26.02.2025, following the recovery of 257 grams of Heroin from the possession of co-accused Aman Kumar @ Bhola, while he was on foot.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that there is no other substantive evidence against the petitioner, except of disclosure statement of co-



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accused Aman Kumar @ Bhola, who has already been granted regular bail by this Court vide order dated 26.02.2026 passed in CRM-M-46433-2025. Actually Ramesh Pal had disclosed the name of accused namely Jippy, who has also been granted regular bail by this Court vide order dated 12.05.2026 passed in CRM-M-4388-2026. He further submits that petitioner is inside jail for more than a period of one year, and out of total 15 prosecution witnesses, none has been examined till date.

4. In response to the arguments addressed by learned counsel for the petitioner, learned State counsel, produces the custody certificate in the Court today, which is taken on record. Office to tag the same at appropriate place. A copy thereof has been handed over to the counsel for the petitioner. Thus, prays for grant of bail.

As per the custody certificate, in the present case, the petitioner has already undergone 01 year and 14 days, period inside jail.

5. Learned State counsel is not in a position to rebut the said contention, which has been addressed by learned counsel for the the petitioner, however, submits that petitioner has undergone only one year in custody. He further submits that four more cases are registered against the petitioner, out of which he is on bail in two cases.

6. This Court has heard the submissions addressed by learned counsel for the parties and has carefully perused the record available before it.

7. It is noticed by this Court that petitioner is inside jail since 27.04.2025 and out of total 15 prosecution witnesses, none has been examined till date. Therefore, conclusion of trial is likely to take considerable time. Thus, this Court deems it appropriate to extend the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.



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Consequently, prayer made in the present petition is allowed. Petitioner is ordered to be released on bail, subject to his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/ Chief Judicial Magistrate/ Illaqa Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate concerned, if not required in any other case.

9. Needless to observe that the petitioner shall not extend any threat and shall not influence any prosecution witness in any manner directly or indirectly.

10. The observation made here-in-above shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the facts of the case and the Trial Court is expected to decide the case on the basis of complete evidence available on record.

11. It is further made clear that if, in future, petitioner is directly found indulged in similar kind of activities, this order shall be deemed to be cancelled.

12. Petition stands disposed of.

Pending misc. application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

May 13, 2026

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
Whether Reportable: Yes/No