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

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Date of decision : 20.04.2026

JASPREET SINGH @ CHANNA

... PETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.. RESPONDENT

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

Present:- Mr. Rohit Joshi, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Surinderjit Singh Nahar, AAG, Punjab.

H.S. Grewal, J.(Oral)

1. This petition has been filed by the petitioner seeking regular bail under Section 483 BNSS, 2023(erstwhile Section 439 Cr.P.C.), in case FIR No.325 dated 28.09.2017, under Sections 392, 395, 379-B, 482, 148, 149, 120-B IPC and Section 25 of the Arms Act, registered at Police Station Sadar Nakodar, District Jalandhar.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner, along with his associates, formed a gang with the intention to commit robbery, snatching and dacoity of luxury vehicles by using firearms. It is further alleged that the said gang had also planned to help certain gangsters in escaping from police custody. The petitioner is alleged to have conducted *recce* in the said criminal activities.

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3. Learned counsel for the petitioner, however, submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case and there is no incriminating material which would connect him with the alleged offence. It is submitted that no recovery has been effected from the petitioner. In the charge-sheet, the petitioner has been arraigned only for offences punishable under Sections 482 & 120-B of IPC and Section 25 of the Arms Act and has not been charged for the other offences mentioned in the FIR. Learned counsel also submits that the petitioner is in custody for the last more than 07 months. He, therefore, prays for release of the petitioner on regular bail as the trial is likely to take a long time as none of the 13 cited prosecution witnesses has been examined so far.

4. Learned State counsel vehemently opposes the prayer for grant of regular bail to the petitioner. He has filed the status report by way of an affidavit Sh. Onkar Singh Brar, PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Nakodar, Jalandhar (Rural) in Court, which is taken on record. He submits that the petitioner is in custody for the last more than 07 months. He, upon instructions, submits that none of the 13 cited prosecution witnesses has been examined so far.

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

6. In view of the above submissions of learned counsel for the parties and keeping in view the facts that the petitioner is in custody for the last more than 07 months, he has been charged only for offences punishable under Sections 482, 120-B IPC and Section 25 of the Arms Act and that the trial is likely to take a long time to conclude as none of the 13 cited prosecution

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witnesses has been examined so far, therefore, this Court deems it appropriate to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner during the pendency of the trial as the continuous detention of the petitioner would not serve the ends of justice.

7. 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.

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

April 20, 2026
A.Kaundal

(H.S.GREWAL)
JUDGE

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