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

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Date of decision : 24.04.2026

VEER SINGH

... PETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.. RESPONDENT

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

Present:- Mr.J.S. Bains, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rohit Hans, DAG, Punjab.

H.S. Grewal, J.(Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed by the petitioner under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.182 dated 24.08.2022, registered under Sections 304 and 420 IPC (now Sections 105 and 318 of BNS, 2023) and Section 15 of the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 at Police Station Gate Hakima, District Amritsar.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the wife of the complainant namely Pinki was admitted in Vishal Hospital for delivery. She was taken to the operation theatre where she was operated upon. It is alleged that during the course of the procedure, her uterus was removed without consent of the complainant or his family members. It is further alleged that due to inability of the attending persons to control excessive bleeding, the patient died. It is also alleged that the petitioner Veer Singh was not possessing any valid licence or requisite medical qualification and had conducted the surgery.

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3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. It is submitted that the petitioner has been implicated merely on the basis of suspicion and alleged statements recorded during inquiry. It is further submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 24.08.2022 i.e. for the last more than 03 years, 07 months and is not involved in any other criminal case. Learned counsel further submits that the trial is progressing at a slow pace and though several witnesses have been examined, the conclusion of trial is still likely to take considerable time. He further submits that co-accused Vishal Kundra has already been granted the concession of regular bail by this Court and the case of the present petitioner is also entitled to similar treatment on the ground of long custody.

4. Learned State counsel opposes the prayer for grant of regular bail and submits that serious allegations are involved against the petitioner. However, it is not disputed that the petitioner is in custody since 24.08.2022 and the trial has not concluded so far.

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

6. Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case, particularly that the petitioner is in custody for the last more than 03 years and 07 months, is not involved in any other case, co-accused has already been granted regular bail, and the trial is still pending and likely to consume further time, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind bars for an indefinite period.

7. Reference can be made to the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Pardeep Kumar @ Banu versus State of Punjab, Criminal Appeal

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No.1341 of 2026, decided on 13.03.2026, wherein it has been held that prolonged incarceration pending trial, when the trial is not likely to conclude soon, would amount to punishment before conviction and in such circumstances bail deserves to be granted.

8. Therefore, without commenting upon the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed. The petitioner Veer Singh is ordered to be released on regular bail on furnishing requisite bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned Trial Court/Duty Magistrate/Chief Judicial Magistrate concerned.

9. However, it is made clear that in case the petitioner misuses the concession of bail or attempts to influence witnesses, the State shall be at liberty to seek cancellation of bail in accordance with law.

April 24, 2026
A.Kaundal

(H.S.GREWAL)
JUDGE

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