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

**CRM-M-34761-2026 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 08.07.2026**

Rohit Kumar

...Petitioner

vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

Coram : Hon'ble Mr. Justice N.S.Shekhawat

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

Mr. M.S. Bajwa, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. P.S. Paul, Advocate
for the complainant.

N.S.Shekhawat J.

1. The petitioner has filed the instant petition under Section 483 of Bhartiya Nyaya Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short BNSS, 2023) [prior Section 439 of Cr.P.C.] with a prayer to grant interim regular bail to him for a period of 12 weeks in case FIR No.180 dated 01.11.2025, registered under Sections 18, 20, 27, 29 of NDPS Act, at Police Station Anandpur Sahib, District Rupnagar.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that Kiran Devi wife of petitioner is facing serious health issues and requires immediate surgery by a gynecologist or a trained surgeon and the surgery was scheduled for the last week of June, 2026. Learned counsel further submits at the time of surgery, the presence of the petitioner is required to take care of his wife for post surgery recovery period and to lend moral support to his wife. Learned counsel also



referred to the medical record, Annexure P-2 and a report from Panchayat, Annexure P-3, in this regard. It is thus prayed that present petition be allowed.

3. On the other hand, learned State counsel has vehemently opposed the submissions made by the petitioner on the ground that the petitioner is involved in a double murder case and the case is already listed for prosecution evidence. In case, the petitioner is ordered to be released on interim bail, he may threaten the prosecution witnesses. He is not only the prime accused in a double murder case but he also attempted to kill two more persons residing in the vicinity of his residential house. Learned counsel further submits that the petitioner is also involved in one more case of smuggling of drugs i.e. FIR No.180 dated 01.11.2025, registered under Sections 18, 20, 29 of NDPS Act, 1985, at Police Station Sri Anandpur Sahib, District Rupnagar and he may abscond from the process of law. Apart from that, in para 06 of the reply, the respondent-State also mentioned a list of 16 family members of Kiran Devi, wife of the present petitioner, who can take care of her in the hospital after the surgery. Learned counsel further submits that the present petition is apparently frivolous and is liable to be dismissed by this Court. Learned State counsel further submits that still taking a humanitarian approach, the Chief Medical Officer, Civil Hospital, Ropar, is ready to provide a private lady attendant to Kiran Devi, wife of the petitioner, at the expenses which may be borne by her.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he does not press the present petition, at this stage. However, he submits that appropriate directions may be issued to the Chief Medical Officer, Ropar, to provide a private lady attendant to Kiran Devi, wife of petitioner and the expenses shall be paid by the petitioner/his wife Kiran Bala.



5. Present petition is accordingly dismissed as not pressed, at this stage.

6. The Chief Medical Officer, Civil Hospital, Ropar, is directed to arrange a private female attendant to Kiran Devi, wife of the petitioner, to take care of her post surgery and all the expenses in this regard shall be paid by Kiran Bala/her husband i.e. the petitioner. In case, the petitioner/his wife do not make any payment, as stated above, the Chief Medical Officer, Ropar will be under any obligation to provide the private attendant.

08.07.2026

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(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

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