

Court No. - 74

Case :- CRIMINAL MISC. BAIL APPLICATION No. - 47053 of 2023

Applicant :- Imran Malik

Opposite Party :- State of U.P.

Counsel for Applicant :- Dilip Kumar Goswami, Sanjay Singh

Counsel for Opposite Party :- G.A.

Hon'ble Vivek Varma, J.

1. Learned AGA for the State submits that the instructions have been received and he has no objection in case the bail application is decided on merits.

2. Heard learned counsel for the applicant, Sri Yogendra Kumar, learned brief holder for the State-opposite party and perused the record.

3. The instant bail application, under Section 439 Cr.P.C., has been filed with a prayer to enlarge the applicant on bail in Case Crime No. 551 of 2023, under Section 8/20 N.D.P.S. Act, Police Station-Karhal, District- Mainpuri during the pendency of trial.

4. Counsel for the applicant submitted that the applicant has been falsely implicated in the instant case. False recovery of 18 kg. Ganja (3 packets) has been shown from the applicant. There is no independent witness to the alleged recovery. The recovered substance is below the commercial quantity. The mandatory provisions of N.D.P.S. Act have not been complied with. There is no F.S.L. report to establish that the substance recovered is 'Ganja'. It is further contended that identically placed co-accused Vikas and Hariom have been granted bail by this Court vide order dated 7.11.2023 passed in Criminal Misc. Bail Application No. 47630 of 2023. The applicant claims parity. The applicant is in jail since 3.10.2023 having no criminal history. In case, he is enlarged on bail, he will not misuse the said liberty.

4. Learned AGA has opposed the prayer for bail but could not satisfactorily dispute the aforesaid submissions from the record.

5. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and after perusal of the record, this Court prima facie finds that there is no independent witness to the alleged recovery. The recovered substance is below the commercial quantity. The applicant has no criminal

antecedents. Moreover, the applicant has remained confined for more than one month and after submission of the charge-sheet there is no hope of early conclusion of trial, and no reasonable apprehension has been brought to the fore by the State that the applicant, if enlarged on bail, would either tamper with the evidence or delay the trial or intimidate the witness, therefore, without commenting on the merits of the case, I am of the opinion that the applicant is entitled to be enlarged on bail.

6. Let the applicant **Imran Malik**, involved in the aforesaid case crime be released on bail on his furnishing a personal bond and two sureties each in the like amount to the satisfaction of the court concerned subject to the conditions that he:

- (i) shall appear on the date fixed by the trial court;
- (ii) shall not tamper with the prosecution evidence;
- (iii) shall not pressurize the prosecution witnesses.

7. In case of breach of any of the above conditions, the prosecution shall be at liberty to move bail cancellation application before this Court.

Order Date :- 17.11.2023
S.S.