

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM No.M-25729 of 2015

Date of decision : August 12, 2015

Gurmeet Singh

...Petitioner...

versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent...

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

Present : Mr. Atul Goyal, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Y.K. Gupta, AAG, Punjab.

JASPAL SINGH, J. (Oral)

Instant petition has been preferred under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (for short, 'Code' only) by Gurmeet Singh, seeking pre-arrest bail, feeling apprehension of his arrest, in case FIR No. 105, dated 10.09.2013, under Sections 15/27-A/29 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 and Sections 7, 13(2) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, Police Station Jodhan, District Ludhiana.

2. Allegations against present petitioner are that he while acting as middle man, approached HC Kabal Singh and ASI Hakam Singh, when they intercepted Jagdeep Singh with 6 packets of poppy husk weighing 1 Kg. each lying in his fields and ultimately, got him let off on payment of some amount.

3. It is an undisputed fact that co-accused of petitioner namely ASI Hakam Singh, HC Kabal Singh and Jagdeep Singh have already been granted the concession of bail by a coordinate Bench of this Court vide order dated October 16, 2014 (Annexure P-4). Petitioner has already been associated by Special Investigation Team, formed as per the direction of this Court. Moreover, nothing is to be recovered from him. Investigation is complete and report under Section 173 (2) Cr.P.C. has already been presented in the court. In the given circumstances, custodial interrogation of petitioner is not at all required.

3. Thus, taking into consideration the aforesaid aspects but without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, petition is allowed. Petitioner is directed to appear before Id. Trial court within 10 days from today and trial court shall release him on bail at its satisfaction.

August 12, 2015

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**(JASPAL SINGH)
JUDGE**