

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

CRM M-39489 of 2014

Date of Decision : May 27, 2015

Jagjit Singh @ Jagga

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE T.P.S. MANN

Present : Mr. J.S.Gill, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Vikram Bishnoi, Asstt. A.G., Punjab.

T.P.S. MANN, J.(Oral)

This is the third petition filed by the petitioner for the grant of regular bail, the first two having been dismissed on 31.5.2013 and 14.5.2014.

The petitioner is facing trial for the offences punishable under Sections 15 and 18 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act for being found in possession of 200 kgs of poppy husk and 1 kg of opium.

On 28.1.2015, learned State counsel had informed the Court that though the prosecution had examined its entire evidence yet an application was, thereafter, filed under Section 311 Cr.P.C. for summoning of Virsa Singh and Sukhdev Raj as prosecution witnesses.

Learned State counsel, after obtaining instructions from ASI Balraj Singh, has now informed the Court that both Virsa Singh and Sukhdev Raj have already been examined by the prosecution in support of its case and now the trial is slated for defence, if any, and arguments for 3.6.2015.

Once the trial has reached its fag end and the petitioner had twice moved this Court for the grant of bail but remained unsuccessful, this Court is of the considered view that the benefit of bail cannot be extended to the petitioner at this stage.

The petition is, accordingly, dismissed.

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(T.P.S. MANN)
JUDGE