

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

**Criminal Misc. No. M-42549 of 2015
Date of Decision:-21.12.2015**

Maninder Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

1. *Whether reporters of local newspapers may be allowed to see judgment?*
2. *To be referred to reporters or not?*
3. *Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?*

Present:- Mr. Vaibhav Narang, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Gurinderjit Singh, Deputy A.G., Punjab.

HARI PAL VERMA J.(Oral)

Prayer in the present petition is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.308 dated 15.8.2014, under Sections 420 and 472 IPC and under Section 22 of the NDPS Act, registered at Police Station Civil Lines, District Amritsar City.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner was merely a pillion rider on the motor-cycle and any recovery of the narcotic contents, if any, was recovered from the co-accused, namely, Nikhil Kumar. The petitioner is in custody since 14.9.2015 and earlier also, he remained in custody from 17.8.2014 to 11.11.2014. There is no

other case against the petitioner.

Learned State counsel has filed the custody certificate of petitioner Maninder Singh. As per custody certificate, the petitioner remained in custody as undertrial from 17.8.2014 to 11.11.2014 and thereafter from 14.9.2015 till date. Thus, the custody of the petitioner is not disputed.

Heard.

Considering the fact that the recovery was effected from the co-accused, namely, Nikhil Kumar and the petitioner is in custody for the last more than six months and trial will take sufficient long time, the petition is **accepted**. The petitioner is admitted on regular bail on furnishing of his bail bonds and surety bonds subject to satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate, Amritsar City.

It is made clear that if the petitioner is found indulged in any other case of such nature, the prosecution shall be at liberty to seek cancellation of his bail.

December 21, 2015
Vijay Asija

(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE