

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

CRM No.M-17233 of 2016 (O&M)

Date of decision: 07.09.2016

Ravinder Singh @ Ravi

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Mr. Bhanu Pratap Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, AAG, Punjab.

Jitendra Chauhan, J. (Oral)

By filing the present petition, under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, the petitioner has sought regular bail in FIR No. 22 dated 28.02.2015, registered under Section 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short 'NDPS Act'), at Police Station Chabbewal, District Hoshiarpur.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner is neither the owner nor the driver of the vehicle. The recovery was not effected from the conscious possession of the petitioner. The petitioner is in custody since 28.02.2015

On the other hand, learned State counsel opposes the bail application.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused

the record.

Considering the fact that the recovery was not effected from the petitioner. The petitioner was one of the occupants of the vehicle from which the alleged recovery was effected. He is neither the owner nor the driver of the vehicle and is not involved in any other FIR; out of total 10 PWs, none has been examined so far, therefore, it can be safely inferred that the trial is not likely to be concluded in the near future, without adverting to the merits of the instant case, this petition is allowed. The petitioner be admitted to bail during the pendency of trial, on her furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds, to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

Anything said herein above shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

07.09.2016
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(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No