

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

CRM-M No. 17626 of 2016
Date of decision : August 23, 2016

Gurjant Singh,

..... Petitioner

v.

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. RS Sekhon, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. KS Panoo, DAG Punjab

Ajay Tewari, J (Oral)

The petitioner seeks grant of regular bail in case FIR No.19,
dated 30.01.2015, registered under Sections 21/61/85 of the NDPS Act,
at Police Station Kulgari, District Ferozepur.

Counsel for the petitioner has argued that the petitioner has
been in custody for about 7 ½ months and it is debatable whether the
alleged recovery was even of commercial quantity.

Counsel for the respondent, on instructions from ASI Wan

Singh, states that keeping in view the nature of the offence, instead of releasing the petitioner on bail, it would be appropriate to put a time cap on the trial. He has stated that the prosecution will lead its entire evidence within two months subject to the accused not obstructing the same.

Keeping in view the statement of counsel for the respondent, I dismiss this petition at this stage but direct the trial Court to release the petitioner on bail in case the prosecution fails to conclude the evidence on or before 27.10.2016 subject to the accused not obstructing the same.

August 23, 2016
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(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No