

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

CRM-M No.1308 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 22.2.2017

Mohinder Pal

..Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH

Present: Mr.Sandeep Verma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr.Sidakmeet Singh Sandhu, AAG Punjab.

AMOL RATTAN SINGH, J.

This petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C., for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.87 dated 7.6.2016, registered at Police Station Shambu, District Patiala, for the alleged commission of offences punishable under Sections 18/61/85 of the NDPS Act.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been in custody since 7.6.2016, with not even a single witness examined so far, with the witnesses all being police officials. Learned State counsel does not dispute the aforesaid factual position.

Keeping in view the fact that the quantity of opium stated to have been recovered, is only marginally above commercial quantity, with no other case pending against the petitioner, with him having been in custody for the last seven months, I deem it appropriate to admit him to bail, subject to his furnishing adequate bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court which shall ensure that one of the persons who stands surety for the petitioner, is a resident of an area within the

jurisdiction of that Court.

The petition stands allowed as above.

22.2.2017
Meenu

(Amol Rattan Singh)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned - Yes/No
Whether Reportable - Yes/No