

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH****CRM NO. M-29431 OF 2017
DECIDED ON : 31.10.2017****Ashwani Kumar****...Petitioner****versus****State of Punjab****...Respondent****CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL**

Present : Mr. A. S. Cheema, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Vermani, Addl. AG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.77 dated 18.07.2017 under Section 18 of NDPS Act, registered at Police Station Bareta, District Mansa.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations against the petitioner are that 01 kg 100 gms of Opium has been recovered from him, which is below the threshold of 2.5 kgs of commercial quantity.

This Court, by the order dated 27.09.2017 had directed the petitioner to join investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was ordered to be released on ad-interim bail to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Darshan Singh, states that in pursuance to the order dated

27.09.2017 the petitioner has joined investigation and is not required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the above and without expressing any opinion on the merits of case, the order dated 27.09.2017, granting ad-interim bail to the petitioner, is hereby made absolute. However, the petitioner shall abide by the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

The petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

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1. Whether speaking/reasoned : YES/NO
2. Whether reportable : YES/NO