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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.4437 of 2017
Date of Decision: 09.03.2017

AMARJIT SINGH

.....Petitioner

Vs

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM: ***HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ MOHAN SINGH***

Present: Mr. Rishu Mahajan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Rimplejeet Kaur, A.A.G., Punjab.

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RAJ MOHAN SINGH, J.(Oral)

Petitioner seeks grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C in case bearing FIR No.126 dated 23.08.2013, registered under Sections 21/22/25/27/29/61/85 of the NDPS Act at Police Station Gharinda, District Amritsar City.

Petitioner was arrested along with Ranjit Singh @ Rana from a car in which contraband was allegedly found. It is not in dispute that at one point of time, directions were issued to conclude the prosecution evidence within a specified period.

Co-accused Ranjit Singh @ Rana was granted benefit of regular bail by this Court in CRM-M No.10265 of 2016 on

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22.04.2016.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that case of the petitioner is not distinguishable from that of co-accused Ranjit Singh @ Rana, who has since been granted bail by this Court. Petitioner is 100% handicapped person.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Narinder Pal submitted that the petitioner is not involved in any other case.

At this stage, without adverting to the merits of the case and keeping in view the custody period and the stage of trial, I deem it appropriate to grant regular bail to the petitioner on parity with that of co-accused Ranjit Singh @ Rana.

In view of above, petition is allowed. Petitioner is ordered to be enlarged on bail, subject to his furnishing adequate bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, Amritsar.

Nothing expressed hereinabove would be construed to be an expression of any opinion on merits of the case.

March 09, 2017. **(RAJ MOHAN SINGH)**
Atik **JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether reportable Yes/No

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