

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Sr. No.209

CRM-M-17459-2018

Date of decision : 13.09.2018

Harjit Singh @ Jajj

..... Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL

Present: Mr. V.K. Jindal, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. K.S. Sidhu, DAG, Punjab.

SUDHIR MITTAL, J. (Oral)

The petitioner seeks regular bail in case FIR No.20 dated 09.09.2017, registered at Police Station SSOC, Amritsar, under Sections 21, 25 and 29 of NDPS Act, 1985.

The allegation in the FIR is that recovery of 270 grams of Heroin has been made from the dash board of the car, in which the petitioner was seated.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been in custody since 27.09.2017. The investigation is complete and the trial is in progress, but the same is not likely to be concluded at an early date. Thus, the petitioner be released on regular bail.

The prayer is opposed by learned State counsel on the ground that there is one more case under the NDPS Act, 1985, registered against the petitioner.

The aforementioned submission is controverted by the learned counsel for the petitioner. He states that in the year 2012, the petitioner was convicted and sentenced to payment of fine for being in possession of non-commercial quantity of narcotic substance. The fine has already been

paid and thus, as on date, there is no case under the NDPS Act, 1985 pending against the petitioner.

In view of the aforementioned facts and circumstances of this case and keeping in view the fact that the trial is not likely to be concluded at an early date, I deem it appropriate to allow this petition. Accordingly, the petition is allowed and the petitioner-Harjit Singh @ Jajj, is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court concerned.

(SUDHIR MITTAL)
JUDGE

13.09.2018
Ramandeep Singh
Whether speaking / reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes / No
Yes/ No