

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM No. M-2810 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 30.01.2018

Sushil Kumar

--Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

--Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.

Present:- Ms. G.K. Mann, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Jaspreet Kaur, A.A.G., Punjab.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.J (Oral)

Petitioner seeks the benefit of regular bail in case F.I.R. No.62 dated 2.5.2015 under sections 22, 61, 85 of N.D.P.S Act, registered at Police Station, City S.B.S. Nagar, District S.B.S. Nagar.

Learned counsel for the parties have been heard.

As per prosecution version, the alleged recovery effected from the petitioner is of 200 grams of intoxicant powder containing the salt of Diphenoxylate Hydrochloride.

Learned State counsel upon instructions from ASI Pabinderjeet would apprise the Court that the trial is at the final stage inasmuch as out of 11 prosecution witnesses, 4 have been examined and 6 have been given up.

Petitioner was arrested on 2.5.2015. Thereafter, petitioner was released on interim bail to await the report of the Chemical Examiner. After receipt of the report, petitioner has now faced incarceration since 5.12.2016.

The right of a speedy trial to an accused cannot be overemphasized.

Under such circumstances, while declining to grant regular bail to the petitioner, instant petition is disposed of with a direction to the Trial

Court to expedite the process of trial and in any case to conclude the same within a period of four months.

Disposed of.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

30.01.2018

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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No