

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

Crl. Misc. No.M-39594 of 2018

Date of Decision:- 30.10.2018

Sukhpal Singh @ Sukh

....Petitioner

VS.

State of Punjab

....Respondent

BEFORE :- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL

Present:- Ms. Satwant Mehta, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr.Kirat Singh Sidhu, DAG, Punjab.

Sudhir Mittal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner seeks regular bail in case FIR No.005 dated 20.01.2018 registered at Police Station Sarai Amant Khan, District Tarn Taran under Section 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the investigation in this case is complete as the challan has already been presented but examination of PWs has not yet started. The petitioner was arrested on the date of registration of the FIR and was granted interim bail vide order dated 1.6.2018 whereafter he surrendered on 16.8.2018. There is no allegation of violation of terms of the bail. The trial is not likely to be concluded at an early date and, thus, the petitioner be released on regular bail.

Learned State counsel, on being asked, submits that there is no other case pending against the petitioner.

Keeping in view the fact that the trial may not be concluded at an early date as well as the fact that the petitioner is not an accused in any other criminal case, no useful purpose would be served by keeping him in custody indefinitely.

In view of the above, this petition is allowed and petitioner-Sukhpal Singh @ Sukh is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned trial Court concerned.

October 30, 2018
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(SUDHIR MITTAL)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned

Yes

Whether Reportable

No