

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

CRM M-48028 of 2017

Date of decision : 25.01.2018

Lakhwinder Singh @ Laddi

....Petitioner

V/s

State of Punjab

....Respondent

BEFORE : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJAN GUPTA

Present: Mr. Vishal Satija, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. C.L. Pawar, Sr. DAG Punjab.

RAJAN GUPTA J.

This is a petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. seeking regular bail in a case registered against the petitioner vide FIR No. 193 dated 10.10.2016 under sections 15, 25 of the NDPS Act at Police Station Dakha, District Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that recovery effected is 55 kgs of poppy husk which is marginally higher than the commercial quantity. Petitioner is in custody since 10.10.2016 and trial has made little headway. Thus, no useful purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner in custody during the pendency of trial. Learned State counsel has opposed the prayer.

Keeping in view aforesaid contention and the period of incarceration, I am of the considered view that no useful purpose would, thus, be served by detaining the petitioner in custody. Accordingly, petition

is allowed and petitioner is directed to be enlarged on bail to the satisfaction of Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, Ludhiana.

January 25, 2018
Ajay

(RAJAN GUPTA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No