

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-483-2019

Date of Decision: 29.01.2019

Ranjeet Singh @ Rana

.. Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Bikramjit Aroura, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

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Inderjit Singh, J. (Oral)

Petitioner Ranjeet Singh @ Rana has filed this petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.04 dated 17.01.2018, registered at Police Station Sarai Amanat Khan, District Tarn Taran, under Section 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.

Notice of motion was issued.

Learned State counsel has appeared on behalf of the respondent-State and contested this petition.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel and have gone through the record.

From the record, I find that in the present case, the recovery is 10 grams of heroin, which is non-commercial quantity. Furthermore, the present petitioner was already on regular bail and absented himself from the Court proceedings on 31.08.2018.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that reason for his

absence from the Court proceedings was not intentional, rather it was on account of noting down the wrong date.

In compliance of order dated 10.01.2019, the petitioner has already surrendered before the trial Court and has been released on interim bail.

He is not required for custodial interrogation. No useful purpose would be served by sending him to custody.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case; without discussing the facts of the case in minute details and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, I find merit in this petition and the same is allowed. The order dated 10.01.2019, granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute.

29.01.2019
Jasmine Kaur

(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes
No