

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-7682-2019
Date of decision: 27.02.2019

Raj Kaur

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. B.S. Toor, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of regular bail in FIR No.181 dated 23.12.2013 under Sections 22/25 of NDPS Act, registered at Police Station Sidhwan Bet, District Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that as per allegations in the FIR, the petitioner was arrested on 23.12.2013 and recovery of 110 grams of intoxicant powder, along with some cash, was effected. It is further submitted that the petitioner was granted regular bail on 13.02.2014 and faced the trial till 17.05.2017, when she absented from the Court proceedings and her bail/surety bonds were cancelled. The petitioner was re-arrested on 24.12.2018 and since then, she is in judicial custody. Learned counsel further submits that the petitioner is lady, having minor children and she has faced the trial for a considerable long time. It is also submitted that one co-accused of the petitioner

namely Paro Bai, who also absented from the Court proceedings, has already been granted the concession of regular bail vide order dated 20.12.2018 passed in CRM-M-38976-2018.

Learned State counsel has filed the custody certificate dated 27.02.2019 in the Court today and as per this custody certificate, the petitioner is not involved in any other case.

Without commenting anything further on merits of the case, considering the fact that the petitioner remained on bail for a period of about 03 years and is facing the trial, this petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail subject to furnishing her bail bonds and two sureties, to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Illaqa Magistrate/Duty Magistrate.

Petition is disposed of.

[ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN]
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No