

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

**CRM-M No.14670 of 2019 (O&M)
Date of decision : 03.05.2019**

Rajpal @ Pali

..... Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. S.S.Rangi, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms.Amarjit Kaur Khurana, DAG, Punjab.

AJAY TEWARI, J. (Oral)

This petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case F.I.R. No.58 dated 25.03.2018 registered under Sections 15/25/29 NDPS Act, 1985 at Police Station Shahkot, District Jalandhar.

In this case the alleged recovery was of 20 bags of poppy husk containing 40 kg each.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner has been in custody since 25.03.2018.

Custody certificate dated 02.05.2019 filed by way of affidavit of Kulwant Singh Sidhu, PPS, Deputy Superintendent, Central Jail, Kapurthala on behalf of State is taken on record. Copy supplied to the counsel opposite.

Learned State counsel states that in view of the fact that the recovery is heavy (800 kgms), instead of releasing the petitioner on bail, it would be appropriate to put a time cap on the trial since all the witnesses are official witnesses and in case the accused does not obstruct the trial the prosecution will lead its entire evidence on or before 31.07.2019 and till such time the bail should not be granted to the petitioner.

I find this to be a fair submission. In the circumstances, in view of the undertaking given by the learned State counsel, it is directed that in case the prosecution does not lead its entire evidence on or before 31.07.2019 (subject to the accused not obstructing the same) the petitioner be released on bail to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

Petition stands disposed of in the above terms.

Since the main case has been decided, the pending criminal miscellaneous application, if any, also stands disposed of.

03.05.2019

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**(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable :

Yes/No