

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

CRM-M-50332-2018 (O&M)

Ranjit Singh	Versus	...Petitioner
State of Punjab		...Respondent

AND

CRM-M-52722-2018 (O&M)

Binder Singh	Versus	...Petitioner
State of Punjab		...Respondent

Date of Decision: March 11, 2019

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present: Mr. Atul Goyal, Advocate
for petitioner Binder Singh (CRM-M-52722-2018)..

Mr. Prateek Pandit, Advocate
for petitioner Ranjit Singh (CRM-M-50332-2018).

Ms. Sunint Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

These petitions have been filed under Section 438 CrPC seeking anticipatory bail in case FIR No.275 dated 22.09.2018 under Section 15 and 29 of the Narcotic and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, Police Station Sultanpur Lodhi, District Kapurthala.

Allegations in the FIR are that secret information was received that Ranjit Singh alias Rania s/o Sadhu Singh, Binder, Kala s/o Channa, who are part of a gang bring poppy husk from Jammu and Kashmir, hidden under apple boxes for supplying to the people of village Saincha, Latianwal and Toti. Today also they are bringing poppy husk in huge quantity under the boxes of Apples, for sale

to a customer Balwinder Singh @ Ladda and some other persons, and that they have unloaded the apple boxes from the truck for giving it to the customers. The police conducted the raid. From the search of the said truck, 24 bags of poppy husk, each weighing 20 kilograms were recovered. The accused Ranjit Singh, Binder, Kala s/o Channa, who were known to the Police party fled away from the scene. Balwinder @ Ladda who was also present in the truck managed to escape.

Learned counsel for petitioner Ranjit Singh has contended that he is not named in the FIR. The FIR mentions the name of 'Ranjit Singh s/o Sadhu Singh, whereas, the petitioner is Ranjit Singh s/o Sardara Singh.

Learned State counsel on instructions states that inadvertently the name of the father of Ranjit Singh alias Rannia was wrongly mentioned as 'Sadhu Singh' instead of 'Sardara Singh' and that it was in fact the petitioner, who along with the other co-accused had come in the truck with poppy husk and escaped on seeing the police.

Since the contraband recovered from the truck was a commercial quantity and both the petitioners have been named in the FIR and duly identified by the police party present at the spot, no ground to grant anticipatory bail is made out.

The petitions are dismissed.

March 11, 2019

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**(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE**

Whether Speaking / Reasoned	Yes
Whether Reportable	Yes / No