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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-52025-2018
Date of decision-10.07.2019

Ranjit Kaur @ Rano

....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present: Mr. N.S.Mahal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Hittan Nehra, Addl.AG, Punjab assisted by
ASI Ashwni Kumar.

MANOJ BAJAJ, J.

Petitioner-Ranjit Kaur @ Rano has prayed for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.107 dated 21.08.2018 under Sections 22, 61 and 85 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 Act registered at Police Station Mehatpur, District Jalandhar.

On 21.08.2018, when the Police party was on patrol duty, on suspicion applicant was apprehended. After following the procedure, the search was conducted and 900 intoxicant tablets of pink and white colour were recovered from plastic bag.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the alleged contraband was sent for analyses before the FSL in five different parcels and only two of them i.e. at Serial Nos.3 and 4 were found to have contained alprazolam. He contends that the recovered contraband falls within the non-

commercial quantity.

On the other hand, learned State counsel assisted by ASI Ashwni Kumar has opposed the bail application. However, it is not disputed that the contraband recovered from the petitioner is non-commercial in nature. He further states that the investigation of the case is complete.

Considering the above background, the fact that the petitioner is a lady, who is not required for investigation and the trial is likely to take sometime, therefore, this Court is of the opinion that further detention of the petitioner may not be justified. Resultantly, without meaning any expression of opinion on the merits of the case, it is ordered that the petitioner be released on regular bail subject to her furnishing requisite bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court, Jalandhar.

The petition is allowed.

10.07.2019

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(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No