

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

CRM-M-31961-2019(O&M)

Date of decision: 03.12. 2019

Rawinder Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present:- Mr.Naveen Bawa, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr. Hittan Nehra, Addl. AG, Punjab

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J. (ORAL)

This is second petition for grant of bail pending trial in a criminal case arising from FIR No.134 dated 15.7.2018 registered under Section 22 of NDPS Act at Police Station Kartarpur, District Jalandhar.

As per the case of the prosecution, petitioner was found in conscious possession of 15 ampules of Buprenorphine 2 ml each and 15 ampules of Avil. Buprenorphine is a prohibited substance as per the schedule under NDPS Act. Commercial quantity starts from more than 20 grams.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Santokh Singh has submitted that prosecution has already recorded evidence of 2 witnesses out of total 8 witnesses proposed to be examined.

Learned counsel for the petitioner on the other hand submits that charges were framed in December, 2018 and the police officials are not coming forward to depose.

Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, this Court is not inclined to consider the prayer for bail, particularly, when petitioner is a

previous convict under the NDPS Act. However, learned Trial Court is requested to conclude the trial positively within a period of 4 months from today. It shall be the responsibility of the Senior Superintendent of Police, Jalandhar to ensure the presence of the police officers who have to depose in the case on behalf of the prosecution as and when called upon.

Disposed of.

03.12. 2019

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Whether speaking/reasoned

Whether Reportable

(ANIL KSHETARPAL)

JUDGE

Yes / No

Yes / No