

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

**CRM-M No. 35368 of 2019
Date of decision: 29.08.2019.**

Manjinder Singh Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab Respondent.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. Brijeshwar Singh Bhalla, Advocate, for the petitioner.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner has challenged the order dated 06.07.2019 (Annexure P2) whereby he has been declared as 'proclaimed offender' in case FIR No.51 dated 31.05.2014, under Sections 21 and 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Tarsikka, District Amritsar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations against the petitioner are that he was in possession of 200 grams of Nitrazepam powder, which is much below the threshold of 500 grams as commercial quantity. He also contends that the petitioner had earlier been granted regular bail and he had been appearing before the trial Court. He also contends that the petitioner had suffered head injuries and preferred an application for exemption which had been allowed on several occasions. However, later on he had wrongly noted the date of hearing, was not informed by his counsel and he was also under the impression that he had

been granted exemption from personal appearance. Learned counsel for the petitioner further contends that he wants to withdraw this petition, as the petitioner would be preferring an application for regular bail and the trial Court may be directed to decide the same expeditiously, especially when the petitioner is not involved in any other case and the recovery of Nitrazepam powder is much below the commercial quantity.

The petition is dismissed as withdrawn. In the event of the petitioner surrendering before the trial Court and preferring an application for regular bail, the same shall be decided expeditiously in accordance with law.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

29.08.2019
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No