

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

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**CRM-M-42613-2019**

**DATE OF DECISION: 15.10.2019**

**MANJEET SINGH**

**... Petitioner(s)**

***Versus***

**STATE OF PUNJAB**

**... Respondent(s)**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL**

Present: Mr. K.S. Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner(s).

Mr. K.K. Bheniwala, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

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**ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)**

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.50 dated 20.07.2019 under Section 15 of the NDPS Act registered at Police Station Ghagga, District Patiala.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations against the petitioner are that he was sitting on the back seat of the car. 80 kg of poppy husk was recovered from the dickey of the car. The car was being driven by one Sunny Singh and another co-accused Harbans Singh was sitting on the front seat. There is no *prima facie* evidence to connect the petitioner with the commission of offence. The petitioner is 21 years of age and is not involved in any other case under the NDPS Act. The petitioner is about to get married on 17.10.2019 and copy of the invitation card is annexed as Annexure P-3 and P-4. He also contends that the report of the chemical examiner has not been received. He further states that he may be released on interim

bail in terms of the judgment of a Division Bench of this Court in the case of **Inderjeet Singh @ Laddi and others Vs. State of Punjab** reported as **2014 (3) R.C.R. (Criminal) 953**.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Raj Kumar, submits that the FSL report has not been received till date.

Heard.

The FIR was registered on 20.07.2019. The petitioner is in custody for over 2 ½ months and the FSL report has not yet been received. Therefore, in view of the law laid down by the Division Bench of this Court in the case of **Inderjeet Singh @ Laddi and others Vs. State of Punjab (supra)**, I deem it appropriate to grant concession of interim bail to the petitioner till the receipt of the report of the chemical examiner. Consequently, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on interim bail subject to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate.

However, this order shall remain in operation till the receipt of FSL report. The petitioner shall file an undertaking that on receipt of the report of chemical examiner, he shall surrender before the trial Court for further proceedings.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)  
JUDGE

15.10.2019.  
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No  
Whether reportable : Yes / No