IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-47772-2019 (O&M)
Date of decision: 15.11.2019

Gurjit Singh @ Sidhu

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. B.S. Bhalla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

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ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (ORAL)

This is 3rd petition for grant of regular bail in FIR No.0061 dated 02.05.2018 under Section 22 of NDPS Act, registered at Police Station Shambu, District Patiala.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody for the last more than 01 year and 06 months and is not involved in any other case. It is further submitted that co-accused of the petitioner namely Punjab Singh @ Tabu and Amandeep Singh have already been granted the concession of regular bail vide order dated 05.11.2019 passed in CRM-M-43315-2019 and CRM-M-2882-2019. Learned counsel further submits that out of total 12 prosecution witnesses, only 04 have been examined so far and it will take some time in conclusion of the trial.

Learned State counsel has filed the custody certificate dated

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15.11.2019 in the Court today and has not disputed the factual position. Learned State counsel has, however, submitted that the petitioner was driver of the car and 935 intoxicant tablets were recovered from its dashboard.

Without commenting anything on merits of the case, considering the fact that aforesaid co-accused of the petitioner have already been granted the concession of regular bail; the petitioner is in custody for the last more than 01 year and 06 months; he is first offender and is not involved in any other case, this petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail subject to furnishing his bail/surety bond to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Illaqa Magistrate/Duty Magistrate.

Petition is disposed of.

[ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN]
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No

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