

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

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CRM-M-51870 of 2019

DATE OF DECISION: 13.12.2019

GURMEET SINGH@ SUNNY

.....Petitioner.

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present : None for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, DAG, Punjab.

MANOJ BAJAJ, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner-Gurmeet Singh @ Sunny has prayed for grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C in case FIR No.28 dated 15.03.2019 registered under Sections 15 of NDPS Act, 1985, at Police Station Sadar, Rupnagar. The petitioner is in custody since his arrest on 15.03.2019.

As per the prosecution, case 66 kg poppy husk was recovered from the vehicle bearing No.HP-12H-3092 being driven by Gurmeet Singh @ Sunny-petitioner.

Learned counsel for the State assisted by the ASI Kamal Kishore present in the Court has apprised the Court that the investigation is complete and trial is in progress and prosecution has examined 04 witnesses. Though no one has appeared on behalf of the petitioner, but, this Court finds that the recovery affected is slightly above the non commercial quantity and trial is likely to consume considerable time as still there are 19 witnesses who remain to be examined by the prosecution. Learned State counsel has further apprised that the petitioner is not involved in any other

case.

After hearing learned counsel for the State, this Court is of the opinion that trial of the case is likely to consume considerable time, therefore, keeping in view the custody of the petitioner his further detention further custody 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 his furnishing requisite bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court, Rupnagar.

The petition is allowed.

(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

13.12. 2019
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No