

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-2980-2020

DATE OF DECISION: 21.09.2020

TIRATH RAM

... Petitioner (s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Daygeesh Kumar Bhatti, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

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

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.103 dated 05.06.2019, under Section 22 of the NDPS Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Goraya, District Jalandhar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner, *inter alia*, contends that the alleged recovery, which has been effected from the petitioner, is intoxicant tablets containing Tramadol with a total weight of 451.82 grams. He further contends that the petitioner is in custody for over 1 year and 3 months. He also contends that the petitioner is not involved in any other case under the NDPS Act.

Learned State counsel upon instructions from SI Jagdish Raj contends that the alleged recovery was of 451.82 grams of Tramadol. He further contends that 1 out of 8 prosecution witnesses has been examined. He also contends that the petitioner is also involved in other cases but as per the

affidavit filed by the DSP, there is no other case against the petitioner under the NDPS Act.

Heard through video conferencing.

In view of the submissions of the learned counsel for the petitioner, especially when the petitioner is in custody for over 1 year and 3 months, there is no other case against the petitioner under the NDPS Act, the COVID-19 pandemic and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

**(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)**  
**JUDGE**

**21.09.2020.**

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| Whether reportable        | : | Yes / No |