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

**CRM-M No.8747 of 2020
Date of Decision: 06.03.2020**

CHARANJIT SINGH

.....Petitioner

Vs

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM: *HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ MOHAN SINGH*

Present: Mr. Anil K. Sagar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. J.S. Ghumman, D.A.G., Punjab.

RAJ MOHAN SINGH, J.(Oral)

Petitioner seeks grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C in case bearing FIR No.194 dated 25.09.2019, registered under Sections 18, 25, 29, 61 of the NDPS Act at Police Station City Jagraon, District Ludhiana.

It is not in dispute that co-accused Thakur Singh, Jaswant Singh @ Jassa and Satpal Singh have been granted regular bail by this Court. The role of the petitioner is at par with the co-accused Thakur Singh, Jaswant Singh @ Jassa and Sapal Singh.

The FIR was registered on the basis of secret

information. In pursuance thereof, a car was stopped and alleged contraband i.e. 1 kg. of opium was recovered. Three persons were found sitting in the car. The quantity of 1 kg. of opium ultimately fell under the non-commercial quantity.

Co-accused Jaswant Singh @ Jassa was involved on the basis of interrogation of Thakur Singh, when he told that he had purchased 1 kg. of opium from Jaswant Singh @ Jassa resident of Karnal. The accused also disclosed that on that day they also had planned to go Karnal for purchasing 2 kgs. of opium from Jaswant Singh @ Jassa. After completing the necessary process of recording the statements of the accused persons, the police party proceeded from Jagraon to Karnal and ultimately arrested Jaswant Singh @ Jassa along with 1 kg. 600 grams of opium and currency notes of Rs.50,000/-.

Co-accused Thakur Singh has been granted regular bail by this Court vide order dated 03.02.2020 passed in CRM-M No.49266 of 2019. Similarly, Jaswant Singh @ Jassa has also been granted regular bail by this Court vide order dated 21.01.2020 passed in CRM-M No.54054 of 2019.

It is not in dispute that the alleged complicity of the petitioner is at par with co-accused Satpal Singh, who has also been granted regular bail by this Court vide order dated 04.03.2020 passed in CRM-M No.6301 of 2020.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Gursewak Singh admitted the aforesaid factual position on record. Petitioner is in custody since 25.09.2019.

In view of above facts and circumstances of the case and without adverting to the merits of the case, the petitioner is directed to be released on bail, subject to his furnishing adequate bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

Nothing expressed hereinabove would be construed to be an expression of any opinion on merits of the case.

March 06, 2020	(RAJ MOHAN SINGH)
Atik	JUDGE
Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No