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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-11472-2020
Date of Decision: 29.07.2020

Baljinder Singh @ Bindri

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. G.S. Kaura, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. S.S. Deol, DAG, Punjab.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure seeking regular bail in case FIR No.0224 dated 03.11.2019, under Sections 21 and 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Kotwali Bathinda, District Bathinda.

[2]. Seen the Medical Report of the petitioner sent up by the Medical Officer, Jail Hospital, Faridkot, in which it has been mentioned that "*the petitioner is an operated case of DB intradural extramedullary dumb bell schwannoma on 24.12.2017. At present complaint of numbness is both feet*

pain in left flank. Patient presented to OPD walking normally. No other history of prolonged illness. Patient is being referred to Civil Hospital, Faridkot, for orthopedic opinion and further management”.

[3]. The petitioner is reported to be involved in one more case under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985. But, he had already been granted bail by a Co-ordinate Bench of this Court in the said case in CRM-M-4023-2019.

[4]. It transpires that after completion of the investigation and submission of challan, trial has not yet commenced. Even the charges are to be framed as yet and as many as 22 persons have been cited as witnesses in the challan.

[5]. In such circumstances, the trial is likely to take its own substantial time, particularly on account of the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic. As such, considering the present medical condition of the petitioner, he is permitted to be released on regular bail, subject to the appropriate terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the Ld. Trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

[6]. Disposed off.

29.07.2020

Apurva

(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE

1. Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
2. Whether reportable: Yes/No