

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

(Heard through VC)

CRM-M-13656 of 2020 (O&M)

Date of Decision: June 15, 2020

Sukhwinder Singh @ Shenti

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. G.S. Sidhu, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Gaurav Dhuriwala, Sr. DAG Punjab.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.233 dated 24.11.2019, under Section 22/25/29 of NDPS Act, registered at Police Station Bhikhi, District Mansa.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner herein was taken into custody in the aforesaid FIR on 20.01.2020. It is submitted that the petitioner has been falsely has been falsely implicated in the present case. It is also contended that investigation is complete, as the challan has already been presented and conclusion of trial will take sufficient time, therefore, the petitioner is entitled to be enlarged on bail.

Per contra, learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent-

State, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, opposes the grant of regular bail to the petitioner. However, he does not dispute the fact that investigation is complete in the matter.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Since, the trial is likely to take sufficient time to conclude and in view of the facts that the petitioner herein has been in custody since 20.01.2020 and that investigation is complete, as the challan has already been presented, no useful purpose would be served in keeping the petitioner behind bars. At this stage, without commenting on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on execution of adequate personal bond and surety bond to the satisfaction of concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

However, anything observed or said by this court is only for the purpose of deciding the instant petition for grant of regular bail and the same shall have no affect on the merits of the case.

June 15, 2020

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(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No