

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Sr. No. 212

CRM-M-16007-2020

Date of decision : 30.07.2020

Sukhwinder Singh @ Bagga

..... Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr.R.K.Gupta, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr.J.S.Ghumman, DAG, Punjab.

DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (ORAL)

Case taken up through video conferencing.

The present petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for the grant of regular bail in FIR No.84 dated 31.07.2019, registered under Section 15 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 at Police Station Lohian, District Jalandhar.

Seeking regular bail for the petitioner learned counsel submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case; there is no other criminal case in which he is involved; he is in custody for the last one year; only two out of total eleven prosecution witnesses have been examined and therefore the trial is not likely to conclude in the near future.

Learned State counsel opposes the grant of regular bail to the petitioner on the ground that 80 kg of poppy husk was recovered from his illegal possession.

There is no other criminal case in which the petitioner is involved; he is in custody for the last one year; only two out of total eleven prosecution witnesses have been examined and therefore the trial is not

likely to conclude in the near future especially in the present circumstances when the world is facing the pandemic Covid-19.

In view of the above, the present case is considered to be a fit one in which the petitioner be directed to be released on regular bail. Resultantly, subject to the satisfaction of the CJM/Duty Magistrate, Jalandhar the petitioner is directed to be released on bail.

It is clarified that the above observations have been made only for the limited purpose of deciding the present regular bail application and the same would not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

30.07.2020
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[DEEPAK SIBAL]
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No