

CRM-M-17550-2020

Date of decision: 17.07.2020

Paramjit Singh

....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE FATEH DEEP SINGH****Present:** Mr. Anmol Rattan Sidhu, Senior Advocate with  
Mr. Raghav Gulati, Advocate  
for the petitioner.Mr. J.P. Ratra, DAG, Punjab  
for the respondent-State.**FATEH DEEP SINGH, J.(ORAL)**

Due to the outbreak of pandemic COVID-19, the instant case is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

This is 4<sup>th</sup> regular bail under Sector 439 Cr.P.C. of accused/petitioner-Paramjit Singh who is in custody since 21.06.2016 in a case bearing FIR No.52 dated 13.06.2016 under Sections 420/120-B Indian Penal Code and Section 18(C) of Drugs and Cosmetic Act (Sections 467/468/471 of IPC and Sections 27 and 27-A of the Drugs and Cosmetic Act added later on) registered at Police Station Bathinda.

The brief allegations against the petitioner are that the petitioner along with his co-accused/non-applicant entered into a criminal conspiracy and started on supplying spurious blood plasma to the blood bank and on the basis of secret information, the entire illegal trade came to light, leading to recovery of 21752 pouches of spurious plasma along with huge cash being sale proceeds of the item.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has argued that vide order dated 28.03.2018, charges under Sections 120-B, 27 read with Section 18-C of Drugs and Cosmetic Act and Sections 467/468/471/120-B of the Indian Penal Code have been framed against the petitioner and which invites at the most maximum imprisonment of 10 years, out of which, the petitioner has undergone more than 04 years and 26 days and submitting that the trial is not likely to be concluded in the near future.

The learned State counsel has placed on record the custody certificate of the petitioner and does not displaces the facts and the period of incarceration but opposed the grant of bail to the petitioner.

Going through the submissions of the two sides, the petitioner, admittedly, is behind the bars for more than 04 years and 26 days, a substantial incarceration. The charges framed against the accused and in light of the present pandemic COVID-19, there is every likelihood that the trial may not conclude in the near future.

Without feeling the necessity to further advert on to the merits, this Court feels it a fit case to allow the petitioner the concession of regular bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds in the sum of Rs.2 lakh with two sureties in the like amount subject to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned. However, the accused would submit an undertaking that he would not stifle the trial and if so found, the State reserves the right to move an application to recall the orders of bail.

The petition stands disposed off accordingly.

17.07.2020

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(FATEH DEEP SINGH)  
JUDGE

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| Whether Reportable        | : | Yes/No |