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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-17909-2020

Date of decision: 24.07.2020

VINOD KUMAR @ VINOD SHAH

... Petitioner

versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

Present: Mr. Amritpal Singh Gill, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Randhir Singh Thind, DAG, Punjab.

HARI PAL VERMA, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to outbreak of COVID-19.

Prayer in the present petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.159 dated 20.12.2019 registered under Section 18 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 and Sections 182, 186, 207 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 at Police Station Julkan, District Patiala.

Learned counsel for the petitioner relies upon order dated 05.06.2020 passed in **CRM-M-12975-2020** titled as ***Rakesh Kumar @ Kaka Versus State of Punjab*** and order dated 06.07.2020 passed in **CRM-M-14947-2020** titled as ***Dalbeer Singh Versus State of Punjab*** to contend that the other co-accused have been admitted on bail by this Court. He states

that the petitioner is in custody since 20.12.2019 and there is no other case against him.

Learned State counsel does not dispute the custody and the aforesaid facts.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Petitioner is in custody since 20.12.2019. Petitioner was on the rear seat of the car from which the recovery was effected. Since the co-accused have already been admitted on bail and there being no other case against the petitioner, this Court deems it appropriate to admit him on bail.

Accordingly, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is admitted on regular bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

It is made clear that the petitioner shall not extend any threat and shall not influence any prosecution witnesses in any manner directly or indirectly.

The observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression on the merits of the case and the trial court shall decide the case on the basis of available material.

(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned?	Yes/No
Whether reportable?	Yes/No