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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-21142-2019 (O&M)
Date of decision: 28.09.2020

Satnam Singh

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. Tarun Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of regular bail in FIR No.0019 dated 09.02.2019 under Section 22 of NDPS Act, registered at Police Station Kot Isse Khan, District Moga.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that charges were framed on 04.06.2020; the petitioner is in custody for the last 01 year, 07 months and 16 days and is not involved in any other case under NDPS Act except one FIR under Section 307 IPC, in which he is on bail. It is further submitted that the petitioner be released on interim bail in view of COVID-19 situation, as the trial is not proceeding further.

Learned State counsel has filed the custody certificate in the Court today and has not disputed the factual position.

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After hearing learned counsel for the parties and without commenting anything on merits of the case, this petition is partly allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on interim bail till 15.01.2021 subject to furnishing his bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Illaqa Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

It will be open for the trial Court either to grant extension of interim bail assessing the circumstances and evidence or dismiss the bail, in accordance with law.

[ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN]
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No