

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

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CRM-M-22416-2020

DATE OF DECISION: 19.11.2020

FELIX ADEWOLE

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Ashish Pal Kaushal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 158 dated 12.06.2017, under Section 21 of the NDPS Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Dakha, District Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that recovery of 1 kg heroin is alleged to have been effected when he was brought on production warrant while in custody in another case. He further contends that the petitioner is in custody for over 3 years.

Learned State counsel has filed affidavit of DSP, Jagraon, wherein it is stated that the petitioner had been arrested in another case and when he was brought on production warrant, recovery of 1 kg heroin was effected. The petitioner is also involved in two other cases under the NDPS Act and in one of them, he was sentenced to undergo imprisonment for a period of 10 years. He also contends that 4 out of 10 prosecution witnesses have been examined.

Heard through video conferencing.

In view of the serious allegations against the petitioner, especially when the petitioner is a previous convict, I do not find it to be a case which would warrant his release on regular bail at this stage.

The petition stands dismissed at this stage. However, the trial Court is directed to expedite the trial.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

19.11.2020

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No