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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-22683-2020

Date of decision: 20.08.2020

MITHU SINGH

... Petitioner

versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

Present: Mr. Kanwaljeet Singh Brar, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Pawan Sharda, Senior 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, pending trial, in case FIR No.179 dated 04.09.2019 registered under Sections 15/25 of NDPS Act at Police Station Sangat, District Bathinda.

Learned counsel for the petitioner relies order dated 02.06.2020 passed in **CRM-M-12604-2020** titled as ***Jaswinder Singh Versus State of Punjab***, whereby the co-accused of the petitioner has been admitted on regular bail. Petitioner is in custody since 04.09.2019 and there is no other case against him.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Amritpal Singh, does not dispute the custody and the fact that the co-accused has been

admitted on bail. He states that there is no other case against the petitioner.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Considering the fact that the petitioner is in custody since 04.09.2019 and trial is not likely to be concluded in the near future, coupled with the fact that the co-accused has been admitted on bail by this Court vide order dated 02.06.2020 passed in ***CRM-M-12604-2020***, this Court deems it appropriate to admit the petitioner 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