

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

Sr. No.223

**CRM-M-26078-2020**

**DATE OF DECISION: 10.09.2020**

**HARGOBIND SINGH @ GORA**

**..PETITIONER**

**VERSUS**

**STATE OF PUNJAB**

**...RESPONDENT**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL**

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

Mr. Bupinder Beniwal, AAG, Punjab.

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**SUDHIR MITTAL, J. (ORAL)**

The petitioner seeks grant of regular bail in case FIR No. 254 dated 07.11.2019 registered at Police Station Civil Lines, Bathinda, District Bathinda, under Sections 15/25 of NDPS Act, 1985.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been in custody for over 10 months now. The trial is not likely to be concluded at an early date as no PW has been examined till date. Co-accused Manpreet Singh @ Preet has been granted regular bail by this Court vide order dated 11.08.2020 passed in CRM-M-18778-2020 and thus, the petitioner deserves the same concession.

Custody certificate dated 09.09.2020 has been submitted in Court. The same is taken on record. According to this certificate, the

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petitioner has undergone actual custody of 10 months and 01 day and there is no other criminal case pending against him.

It is thus evident that the trial is not likely to be concluded at an early date. The petitioner has been in custody for 10 months & 01 day and similarly situated co-accused Manpreet Singh @ Preet has been granted regular bail by this Court vide order dated 11.08.2020 passed in CRM-M-18778-2020. Thus, I deem it appropriate to grant regular bail to the petitioner.

Accordingly, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

**10.09.2020**

*Ankur*

**(SUDHIR MITTAL)  
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No