

107 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-28753-2020(O&M)

Date of decision: 21.09.2020

Vishal Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present:- Ms.R.K.Grewal, Advocate for the petitioner
 Mr. Randhir Thind, DAG, Punjab

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner prays for grant of pre-arrest bail in a criminal case arising from FIR No.167, dated 28.7.2020, registered under Section 15 and 29 of the NDPS Act, 1985, at Police Station Amargarh, District Sangrur, Punjab.

As per the case of the prosecution, Laskar Singh was apprehended with 25 kg poppy husk. He disclosed that the aforesaid narcotics were sourced from the petitioner. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that Laskar Singh, has already been granted the concession of bail. She, further contends that the petitioner is sought to be indicted as an accused on the statement of a co-accused in police custody and therefore, the same is not admissible in evidence.

From the reading of the order passed by the Special Court, Sangrur, it is apparent that the petitioner is an accused in two other cases under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Act, 1985. Apart therefrom the involvement of the petitioner is also noted in 7 more cases under various

provisions of the Indian Penal Code.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner stands acquitted in the cases under the Indian Penal Code and he has been granted bail in cases under the NDPS Act, 1985.

From the aforesaid facts, it is apparent that the petitioner does not have clean antecedents. In order to break the chain of supply of the narcotics, it is necessary to reach at the other end of the chain. For that purpose, custodial interrogation of the petitioner shall be required. No ground to grant the concession of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner is made out.

Hence, dismissed.

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(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned Yes / No

Whether Reportable Yes / No