

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-29092-2020

Date of decision: 25.09.2020

Jaspal Singh @ Jassa

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Girish Agnihotri

Present: Mr. Gurpal Singh Sandhu, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. H.S. Multani, Assistant AG, Punjab.

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video-conferencing on account of restrictions due to outbreak of pandemic COVID-19.

Petitioner-Jaspal Singh @ Jassa, stated to be aged 30 years, has filed the present petition *inter alia* with a prayer for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.073 dated 18.06.2020, registered under Section 22 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, at Police Station Talwandi Bhai, District Ferozepur.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the FIR is dated 18.06.2020 and the petitioner was arrested on same day and he is in custody since then. Counsel further submits that no recovery was affected from conscious possession of the petitioner. He then submits that as on date, the FSL report has yet not been received. However, counsel submits that in

view of the above, the petition be considered and interim bail may be granted. Learned counsel submits that the petitioner will surrender before the concerned Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, when it is communicated to him that FSL report has been received.

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Mr. H.S. Multani, Assistant AG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further relies on the judgment dated 05.06.2020, passed by this Court in “***CRM-M-12836-2020*** titled as ***Harjit Singh vs. State of Punjab.***”

In view of the above, the petitioner is directed to be released on interim bail till the expiry of seven days from receipt of FSL report/intimation from the Investigating Officer, subject to his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned. It is made clear that on receipt of FSL report and finding the same to be incriminating, the petitioner shall surrender before the concerned CJM/Duty Magistrate forthwith.

Accordingly, the present petition stands disposed of.

(GIRISH AGNIHOTRI)
JUDGE

25.09.2020

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Whether speaking/ reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No