

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

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CRM-M-30320-2020
Date of Decision: 05.10.2020

Karanjeet Singh

....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Haryana

....Respondent.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE LALIT BATRA

Present: Mr.Rakesh Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr.Vivek Saini, Additional Advocate General Haryana.

Lalit Batra , J . (Oral)

Case has been taken up for hearing through Video Conferencing.

Present petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C is for grant of regular bail to petitioner-**Karanjeet Singh** in case F.I.R. No.90 dated 11.06.2020 under Section 18 of NDPS Act, registered at Police Station Sector 20, Panchkula.

Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that petitioner has no nexus whatsoever with the alleged offence. He further urges that the alleged contraband recovered from the petitioner is of non-commercial quantity. He further submits that the petitioner is in custody since 11.06.2020. He further submits that petitioner is no more required by the police for any investigation purpose. He further urges that challan has been presented in the Court and trial has already commenced. He further urges that since trial of the case would take sufficient time to conclude, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner in custody further

and he may be released on bail.

On the other hand, learned State counsel while opposing instant petition has vehemently argued that keeping in view seriousness of offence, petitioner does not deserve the concession of bail.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

At this stage, without commenting anything on the merits of the case lest it may prejudice the outcome of the trial but taking into consideration the fact that petitioner is in custody since 11.06.2020; that petitioner is no more required by the Investigating Agency for investigation purpose; that challan has been presented in the Court; that trial has already commenced and since trial of the case would take sufficient time to conclude, no useful purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner in custody further, thus, he deserves the concession of bail.

In view of above, instant petition for grant of regular bail moved by petitioner-**Karanjeet Singh** is allowed and he is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of Trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, Panchkula, as the case may be.

October 05, 2020

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(LALIT BATRA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned :

Yes/No

Whether reportable :

Yes/No