

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

CRM-M-30194-2019(O&M)
Date of decision: - 31.01.2020

Lakhbir Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Vipul Jindal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Kirat Singh Sidhu, DAG, Punjab.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

Through the instant petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C., the petitioner seeks bail in case FIR No. 57 dated 08.09.2017 registered under Section 21 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 and Sections 25 and 27 of Arms Act, 1959 at Police Station Khem Karan, District Tarn Taran.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner was implicated along with his son Karanbir Singh at the behest of SI Manjinder Singh because of old enmity as earlier the petitioner was also in police service. The son of the petitioner is on regular bail. Moreover, the recovery effected is marginally commercial and matter regarding actual content/total content is pending.

Custody certificate by way of affidavit of Satnam Singh, Superintendent, Central Jail, Amritsar, has been filed by the learned State Counsel in Court today. The same is taken on record. As per the custody certificate, the petitioner has undergone 1 year, 11 months and 2 months.

On the instructions from ASI Dilbag Singh, learned State counsel states that out of total 12 prosecution witnesses, only 5 prosecution witnesses have been examined.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties. The petitioner has undergone 1 year, 11 months and 2 days, out of total 12 prosecution witnesses, only 5 prosecution witnesses have been examined and co-accused son of the petitioner is on regular bail.

In view of the above, the trial Court is directed to expedite the trial.

Petitioner is directed to place on record this order before the learned trial Court.

Present petition is disposed of accordingly.

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

31.01.2020
Mangal Singh

Whether reasoned/speaking?	Yes/No
Whether reportable?	Yes/No