

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

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**CRM-M-34768-2020 (O&M)
Date of Order:30.10.2020**

PARMOD KUMAR DIXIT

..Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr. Fariad Singh Virk, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Chetan Sharma, AAG, Haryana

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J(Oral)

Hearing of the case was held through video conference on account of restricted functioning of the Courts.

The petitioner prays for grant of pre-arrest bail in a criminal case arising from FIR No.363, dated 16.08.2020, registered under Section 20 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, at Police Station Urban Estate, District Hisar.

The petitioner is owner of the truck which was intercepted with 140.600 Kgs 'Ganja', kept on the roof of the truck.

Subhash, the driver of the truck was apprehended at the spot and as per the case of the prosecution, he has disclosed that the aforesaid 'Ganja', was loaded in the truck as per the instructions of the petitioner from Raipur Road, at Raigarha, Odisha.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that no recovery of the narcotics is to be made from the petitioner and he has clean record although he is in the business of transportation for quite some time. He submits that after re-opening of the business of transportation which was

lying closed on account the curfew imposed due to spread of Covid-19, he engaged a new driver and therefore, the petitioner cannot be said to be involved.

This court has considered the submissions.

In the present case, it is not in dispute that the truck belongs to the petitioner. There is a huge recovery of 1400.600 Kgs 'Ganja'. In these cases, in the considered view of the court, custodial interrogation is important to unearth the supply line of the narcotics and break the supply chain.

Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, no ground to grant the concession of pre-arrest bail is made out.

Dismissed.

October 30, 2020
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(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	: Yes/No
Whether reportable	: Yes/No