

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

**CRM-M-37676-2019 (O&M)
Date of Decision : 07.01.2020**

Suresh Singh @ Suresh Singla @ Fauji Petitioner

Versus

Union of India Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAMENDRA JAIN

Present : Mr. Amit Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

None for the respondent.

RAMENDRA JAIN, J. (Oral)

Through instant petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. prayer has been made for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in a complaint No.NCB-09 dated 24.02.2018, filed under Sections 8 and 18 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 before the Special Judge, Ludhiana.

According to prosecution, on the night of 24.02.2018, petitioner was apprehended with conscious possession of 3.250 kg. opium in the area near CSIR-CMER closed gate, near Novelty Showroom on Gill Road, Ludhiana, without any permit or licence.

Learned counsel *inter alia* contends that no independent witness was joined. Conclusion of trial may take a sufficient long time. No useful purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner any more in jail.

On the other hand, learned State counsel vehemently opposed the grant of regular bail to the petitioner.

Considering the fact that the recovery effected from the petitioner falls under the category of “commercial quantity”, he does not deserve the concession of regular bail.

Dismissed.

07.01.2020
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(RAMENDRA JAIN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No