IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

207 **CRM-M-3600-2021**
Date of decision : 25.03.2021.

MOHAMMAD SHEHBAZ

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.. Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. Sunny Kumar Singla, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

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Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 132 dated 17.12.2020, under Sections 22, 29, 61, 85 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Sandaur, District Sangrur.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is not named in the FIR and has been arraigned as an accused on the statement of co-accused from whom non-commercial quantity of tablets containing Tramadol was allegedly recovered.

This Court, by order dated 27.01.2021 had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was ordered to be released on ad-interim bail to the satisfaction of the Investigating/Arresting Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

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Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Gurmeet Singh, states that the petitioner has joined investigation.

In view of the above and the petitioner having joined investigation, the Covid-19 Pandemic, the order dated 27.01.2021 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

However, the petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. He shall also join investigation as and when called upon to do so.

The petition stands disposed of.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether Reportable : Yes/No

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