

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-4465-2021

DATE OF DECISION: 28.04.2021

JASWINDER SINGH ALIAS KALA

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Anutej Singh Barnala, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.29 dated 13.03.2020, under Sections 15, 25 and 29 of the NDPS Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Sehna, District Barnala.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is a driver of the truck wherein 240 kg of poppy husk had been recovered concealed in between bags of salt. He further contends that the petitioner is in custody for over 1 year and 1 month. He is not involved in any other case under the NDPS Act.

Learned State counsel contends that challan has been filed but charges are yet to be framed.

Heard.

In view of the above especially when the petitioner is in custody for over 1 year, he is not involved in any other case under the NDPS Act, the COVID-19 pandemic and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

28.04.2021
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No