

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

**CRM-M-7401-2021 (O&M)
Date of decision: 28.10.2021**

Joginder Kaur @ Jogindro

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Hoshiar Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. H.S. Multani, AAG Punjab.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing..

Prayer in the present petition is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case bearing FIR No.18 dated 30.01.2020, registered under Section 22 of NDPS Act, 1985, at Police Station Shahkot, District Jalandhar Rural.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has falsely been implicated in the present case. The allegation against the petitioner is that 3500 intoxicating tablets were recovered from the purse carried by her. He further states that the petitioner was alleged to be a pillion rider with co-accused, namely, Subeg. The petitioner has been in custody since 30.01.2020.

It is further submitted that the petitioner being a lady has to look after her family members and in her absence, all family members are suffering.

Learned State counsel, while vehemently opposing the prayer of the bail submits that the petitioner is involved in one more case wherein recovery of 4 kg. of poppy husk was effected. However, he does not dispute the custody period of the petitioner and that the case is at the stage of evidence.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

The petitioner has been in custody since 30.01.2020. The petitioner is a lady and was only a pillion rider. The case is at the stage of evidence. The trial would take time to conclude. Therefore, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars.

In view of the above, without commenting anything on the merits, lest it should prejudice the case of either side, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on her furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

28.10.2021
Mangal Singh

Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes/No
Yes/No