

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

Sr. No.206

CRM-M-7875-2021

Date of decision: 26.02.2021

Natha Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr. Ranbir Singh Sekhon, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Kirpal Singh Thakur, AAG, Haryana.

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DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video conferencing.

Through the present petition, the petitioner seeks interim bail in FIR No.62, dated 25.06.2017, registered under Sections 21/61/85 of the Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short – the NDPS Act) at Police Station Ferozepur Cantt., District Ferozepur, to attend his daughter's marriage.

Learned counsel submits that the petitioner's daughter's marriage is fixed for 06.03.2021 at village Kishore Singh Wale Jhugge, Tehsil Mamdot, District Ferozepur and therefore, he be granted interim bail not only to attend the marriage but also to take part in the functions to be held before the actual marriage ceremony.

Learned State counsel admits that the petitioner's daughter's marriage is scheduled for 06.03.2021 at village Kishore Singh Wale Jhugge, Tehsil Mamdot, District Ferozepur but opposes the grant of interim bail to the petitioner on the ground that he is a convict in a case under the

NDPS Act and is facing trial in the present FIR in which he is accused of smuggling 5 kgs heroin from Pakistan as also for the reason that the petitioner's trial is at the fag end.

On one hand, the petitioner is a convict in a case under the NDPS Act; is facing trial in the instant case where he is accused of smuggling 5 kgs heroin from Pakistan and his trial is at the fag end and on the other hand, his daughter's wedding is scheduled to be held on 06.03.2021 at his village in District Ferozepur.

After considering the above facts, this Court is of the opinion that the petitioner be taken in police custody at 8.00 a.m. on 06.03.2021 to village Kishore Singh Wale Jhugge, Tehsil Mamdot, District Ferozepur so that he can take part in his daughter's wedding and brought and lodged back in the Jail at Faridkot by 6.00 p.m. on the same day.

The petition is disposed of in the above terms.

(DEEPAK SIBAL)
JUDGE

February 26, 2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No