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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.5910 of 2020 (O&M)

Date of decision: 13.09.2021

Jeewan Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. J.S. Sandhu, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN J. (Oral)

On 14.12.2020, the following order was passed by this
Court:-

“This petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 206 dated 04.09.2019, registered under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 at Police Station Raman, District Bathinda, Punjab.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is in judicial custody for the period of last 01 year, 03 months and 07 days and he is not involved in any other case.

Learned counsel further submits that out of total 09 prosecution witnesses, none has been examined so far, hence, on account of this reason as well as due to Covid-19 situation, the trial is likely to take a long time in its conclusion.

Learned State counsel, on the basis of the custody certificate filed today in Court, has not disputed the

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factual position. As per custody certificate, the petitioner is not involved in any other case.

Adjourned to 25.05.2021.

Considering the fact that petitioner is in judicial custody for the last about 01 year, 03 months and 07 days; he is not involved in any other case and also in view of the fact that due to Covid-19 situation, the conclusion of trial is likely to take some time, the petitioner is ordered to be released on interim bail till the next date of hearing, on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate/Illaqa Magistrate, concerned.

However, the trial Court, after assessing the situation, if the trial has not started in ordinary course and the evidence is recorded, may cancel or may continue the interim bail granted to the petitioner till further orders.”

Counsel for the State has filed the Custody Certificate and has raised an objection that the petitioner has not surrendered back.

Counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner has moved some applications and the interim bail has been extended.

Be whatsoever, no further action is called for in this petition as the petitioner has already relegated his remedy to approach the trial Court.

Disposed of.

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

13.09.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No