

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

249-4

CRM-M No.8529 of 2021

Date of Decision: October 04, 2021

Sukhbir @ Bhutiya

.....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Keshav Pratap Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Bhupender Singh, DAG, Haryana.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA J. (ORAL)

The instant Petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure seeking Regular Bail on behalf of the Petitioner in case FIR No.96, dated 21.03.2020, registered under Sections 21(C)/27-A/29 of NDPS Act, 1985 at Police Station Bhauna, District Fatehbad.

2. The petitioner has remained in detention since 31.08.2020

3. Ld. Counsel for the petitioner submits that he was not named in the FIR nor any recovery has been effected from him. The petitioner has been implicated in the present case on the basis of disclosure statement of accused-Gurjeet from whom contraband in the form of 900 grams of *Heroine* was allegedly recovered and who had contended that the car in which he was travelling belong to the petitioner. The petitioner has categorically denied ownership of the said car and submitted that registered owner of the car happens

to be one Naresh Kumar. The trial is yet to commence. Even the charges have not been framed.

4. In the circumstances, without commenting upon the other merits of the case and keeping in view the fact that the trial is likely to take a considerable time to conclude in view of the on-going Covid-19 Pandemic, at this stage, this Court is of the opinion that further detention of the Petitioner for an indefinite period is not justified. As such, he is ordered to be released on bail subject to the satisfaction of the Ld. Trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

5. Disposed off.

(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE

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