

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

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CRM-M-9801-2021 (O&M)
Date of decision : 16.08.2021.

Gurpreet Ram @ Mani

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.. Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mohd. Yousaf, 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.258 dated 01.08.2020, under Section 22(b)(c) of the NDPS Act, registered at Police Station Phillaur, District Jalandhar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged that the motorcycle being driven by the petitioner, wherein co-accused Harwinder Singh was pillion riding was signalled to stop by the police party. The breaks were applied and the motorcycle fell down. Co-accused was allegedly carrying a bag containing 2000 intoxicant tablets (Tramadol) and 225 injections of Buprenorphine. He also contends that the petitioner is in custody for over a year and is not involved in any other case under the NDPS Act.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from SI Surjit Singh, states that although challan has been filed but no prosecution witness has been examined so far.

Heard.

In view of the above especially when the petitioner is in custody for over a 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.

Pending application, if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

August 16, 2021
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No