

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

CRM-M-7577-2020 (O&M)

Date of decision: 17.09.2021

Jugal Kishore @ Jugga

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

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

Mr. Hitten Nehra, Addl. AG, Punjab

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J (Oral)

The hearing of the case was held through video conferencing on account of restricted functioning of the Courts.

This is the third petition for grant of bail pending trial to the petitioner in a criminal case arising from FIR no. 169, dated 08.07.2018, registered under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, at Police Station Gate Hakima, District Amritsar.

As per the case of the prosecution, the petitioner was apprehended with 1120 capsules containing Tramadol Hydrochloride, which is a prohibited substance under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985. The total weight of the capsules is stated to be 684 grams.

The previous petitions filed by the petitioner for grant of bail were dismissed as withdrawn.

The petitioner is in custody for the last 2 years and 8 months. As per the reply filed by the State, the petitioner does not have criminal past. As on date, the prosecution has only examined two

witnesses out of total 13 witnesses who were proposed to be examined.

The conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time.

Without commenting on the merits of the case and keeping in view the aforesaid facts, it is considered appropriate to release the petitioner on a regular bail on his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate

Petition stands allowed.

All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, are also disposed of.

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No

(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE