

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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CRM-M-10504-2021 (O & M)
Date of Decision: December, 01, 2021

RAMESH KUMAR ALAIS BILLA**PETITIONER**

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB**RESPONDENT**

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Ms.Aarti Kaur, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Amarjit Kaur Khurana, DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.170 dated 22.12.2020, under Sections 22 and 29 of the NDPS Act, registered at Police Station STF, Phase IV Mohali, District Mohali.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the alleged recovery of intoxicant tablets containing tramadol with a total weight of 402 grams was allegedly effected from the medical shop, allegedly run by the petitioner. She, however, contends that the petitioner is 65 year of age and is suffering from various ailments including hypertension, piles and skin disease. The petitioner is in custody for over 11 months. He is not involved in any other case under the NDPS Act.

Learned State counsel has filed short reply by way of affidavit of PPS, Superintendent, Central Jail, Ludhiana wherein report of the Medical Officer, Central Jail, Ludhiana has been appended as Annexure R-1. It is stated that patient had given history of hypertension and piles for which he is taking

treatment at Jail Hospital. He is suffering from hypopigmented macular lesions on scalpe, forehead and trunk which are not itchy for which the patient is being referred to LMCH, Ludhiana for skin consultation. His general condition is stable. She has filed custody certificate of the petitioner which indicates that the petitioner is in custody for 11 months and 06 days. She upon instructions from ASI Naresh Kumar states that no prosecution witness has been examined as yet.

Heard.

In view of the above, especially when the petitioner, who is a 65 year old, is in custody for over 11 months, he is suffering from various ailments, he is not involved in any other case under the NDPS Act, 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 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.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

December, 01, 2021
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Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No