

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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CRM-M-14130-2021 (O & M)

Date of Decision: July 15, 2021

KULWINDER SINGH @ SONY @ SONI

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr.Gurinder Singh Hayer, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

Case taken up through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.140 dated 30.12.2017, under Sections 22 of the NDPS Act, registered at Police Station Sadar Moga, District Moga.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the intoxicant powder with a total weight of 150 grams of Alprazolam is allegedly recovered from the petitioner. The petitioner is in custody for over 03 years. He further contends that co-accused Sukhwinder Singh has been granted the concession of regular bail by this Court in CRM-M-12690-2019 on 29.10.2019 and co-accused Gurwinder Singh @ Ginda has been granted the concession of regular bail by the Coordinate Bench of this Court in CRM-M-17807-2018 on 22.05.2018.

Learned State counsel has filed custody certificate which indicates that the petitioner is in custody in the instant case for 03 years, 05 months and 15 days. He upon instructions from ASI Buta Singh states that 06 out of 12

prosecution witnesses have been examined. He also contends that the petitioner is also involved in several other cases as recorded in the custody certificate but there is no mention of any other case under the NDPS Act therein.

Heard.

In view of the above, especially when the petitioner is in custody for over 03 years and 05 months, he is not involved in any other case under the NDPS Act, co-accused have been granted bail, 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

July 15, 2021
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Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No