

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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**CRM-M-18779-2021 (O & M)
Date of Decision: |August 02, 2021**

JARNAIL SINGH @ JAILA

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. J. S. Thakur, 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 anticipatory bail in FIR No. 204 dated 10.07.2017, under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Sadar Nakodar, District Jalandhar Rural.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner was allegedly found in possession of 120 grams of intoxicant substance containing Dextropropoxyphene Hydrochloride, which is much lower than the threshold of 500 grams as commercial quantity. The petitioner had earlier been granted bail and had been regularly appearing before the trial Court except on 09.01.2020, as he was not informed by his counsel for appearance on that date. Thereafter, he could not appear due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Consequently, his bail was cancelled. He undertakes that the petitioner shall henceforth appear before the Court on each and every date of hearing.

This Court, by the order dated 08.07.2021, had directed petitioner to surrender before the trial Court and in the event of his doing so, he was ordered to be released on interim bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has appeared before the trial Court on 26.07.2021 and has been released on ad interim bail.

Learned State counsel has filed status report by way of affidavit of Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Nakodar, District Jalandhar along with Annexures R-1/T and R-2/T. The same are taken on record.

In view of the above, the order dated 08.07.2021 granting interim bail to petitioner is made absolute.

The petition stands disposed of.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No