

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

210

CRM-M-19378-2021 (O & M)

Date of Decision: August 03, 2021

BALWINDER SINGH ALIAS BILLA

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr.Ashish Aggarwal, 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. 20 dated 04.04.2021, under Section 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 ('NDPS Act' - for short) (Section 29 of the NDPS Act was added later on), registered at Police Station Kacha Pacca, District Tarn Taran.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is not named in the FIR wherein it is alleged that five gram of heroin was allegedly recovered from the co-accused. The petitioner has been arraigned as an accused on the statement of co-accused. He is not involved in any other case under the NDPS Act.

This Court, by the order dated 18.05.2021, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was ordered to be released on ad-interim bail to the satisfaction of the Investigating/Arresting Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Learned State counsel has filed short reply by way of affidavit of Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Valtaha Camp at Bhikhiwind, District Tarn Taran, which indicates that the petitioner has joined investigation but the FSL report is awaited. He upon instructions from ASI Kulwant Singh, states that the petitioner has joined investigation.

In view of the above and the petitioner having joined investigation, the order dated 18.05.2021 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

However, the petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. He shall also join investigation as and when called upon to do so.

The petition stands disposed of.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

August 03, 2021
A.Kaundal

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