

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

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**CRM-M-20965-2021
Date of Decision:27.08.2021**

LAKSHMI NARAYAN

...PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL

Present: Mr. Bipan Ghai, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Paras Talwar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Singh Deol, DAG, Punjab.

SUVIR SEHGAL, J.(ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

While granting interim protection to the petitioner, this Court
passed the following order on 26.05.2021:-

*“This matter is being taken up for hearing through
video conferencing due to the outbreak of pandemic,
COVID-19.*

*Learned senior counsel for the petitioner submits
that petitioner is sought to be falsely implicated in FIR
No.163 dated 11.12.2020, under Section 15 of NDPS Act,
P.S. Sadar Faridkot, District Faridkot merely on the
basis of disclosure statement of co-accused Balkar Singh
@ Kala, who was apprehended on the spot along with
one Inderjeet Singh with 125 kilograms poppy husk.
Learned senior counsel further submits that petitioner is
not involved in any other case under the NDPS Act.*

Notice of motion.

*Ms. Samina Dhir, DAG, Punjab, to whom an
advance copy of the petition has been supplied, accepts
notice on behalf of the respondent-State.*

At request of learned counsel for the State adjourned to 27.08.2021.

In the meanwhile, petitioner shall join investigation as and when required by the Investigating Officer. In the event of his arrest, petitioner shall be released on bail to the satisfaction of Investigating Officer. Petitioner shall comply with the conditions stipulated in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

Learned State counsel on instructions from SI Sukhwinder Singh, states that the petitioner has joined the investigation, he is no longer required for custodial interrogation and he is not involved in any other criminal case.

In view of the said facts, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 26.05.2021 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute, subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

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(SUVIR SEHGAL)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No