

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-24554-2021

DATE OF DECISION: 05.07.2021

ARSHDEEP SINGH

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Munish Raj Chaudhary, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.104 dated 09.12.2020, under Sections 22, 25, 29, 61, 85 of the NDPS Act, registered at Police Station Sehna, District Barnala.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged that recovery of 500 tablets of Tramadol with a total weight of 205 grams was effected from the pocket of the petitioner who was driving the motorcycle, which is non-commercial quantity. It is also alleged that another bag containing 700 tablets of Tramadol with a total weight of 231 grams was kept in between the driver and the pillion rider. The petitioner is 26 year of age and is not involved in any other case under the NDPS Act. He is in custody for over 6 months.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Maghar Singh, contends that challan has been filed but no prosecution witness has been examined. He also contends that the co-accused Darshan Singh, who was the pillion rider has been granted regular bail by the trial Court. The petitioner is in custody for a period of 6 months and 21 days.

Heard.

In view of the above, especially when the petitioner, who is 26 year of age, is in custody for a period of 6 months and 21 days, the COVID-19 pandemic, he is not involved in any other case under the NDPS Act 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 instant 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

05.07.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No