

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-29132 of 2020(O&M)

Date of Decision: 05.03.2021

Joginder Singh @ Lalli

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM:HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present: Mr. Prateek Pandit, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sukhbir Singh, AAG, Punjab.

HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

Present petition has been filed under Section 439 seeking regular bail in case FIR No. 61 dated 17.03.2020 under Section 15 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Rama Mandi, District Police Commissionerate Jalandhar.

As per the allegations in the FIR, the petitioner and other accused were intercepted while going on a truck bearing registration No. PB-10CJ-2613. On search 140 Kg of poppy husk was recovered.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has argued that that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case . He further contends that the petitioner is in custody since 17.03.2020. The investigation in this case is complete and challan has been filed.

Without commenting anything on merits of the case and keeping in view the fact that trial is unlikely to conclude in the near future more so in the wake of outbreak of pandemic COVID-19, no

useful purpose will be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars till the conclusion of trial.

Accordingly, this petition is allowed. Petitioner-Joginder Singh @ Lalli is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate/Illaqa Magistrate concerned.

[HARINDER SINGH SIDHU]
JUDGE

March 05, 2021
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Whether speaking/reasoned	yes/no
Whether reportable?	yes/no