

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

**CRM-M-36933-2021 (O&M)**

Date of decision: 13.09.2021

Lal Chand

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

..Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL**

Present: Mr.D.S.Virk, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr. Tarun Walia, AAG, Haryana

**ANIL KSHETARPAL, J (Oral)**

The hearing of the case was held through video conferencing on account of restricted functioning of the Courts.

This is third petition for grant of bail to the petitioner pending trial in a criminal case arising from FIR no. 284 dated 12.09.2020 registered under Section 22 C of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, at Police Station Ellanabad, District Sirsa.

As per the case of the prosecution, the petitioner alongwith co-accused was apprehended with 1200 intoxicating capsules. The first petition for grant of bail was disposed of with liberty to the petitioner to apply for bail before the trial court after the receipt of report from the Forensic Science Laboratory. The second petition was dismissed as withdrawn.

A co-accused of the petitioner has already been granted the concession of bail vide order dated 23.08.2021 passed in CRM-M-21529-2021.

Learned counsel representing the State admits that the petitioner does not have any other criminal antecedents apart from the present case. On conclusion of the investigation, the police has submitted its final report. However, the charges are yet to be framed.

Conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time.

Without commenting on the merits of the case and in view of the order dated 23.08.2021 passed in CRM-M-21529-2021, it is considered appropriate to release the petitioner on regular bail on his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

Petition stands allowed.

All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, are also disposed of.

13.09.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No

**(ANIL KSHETARPAL)**  
**JUDGE**