

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

**CRM-M No.42524 of 2021
Date of Decision: 14.10.2021**

Devi Lal

Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: Mr. Vikas Bishnoi, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Geeta Sharma, DAG, Haryana.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (Oral):

The matter is taken up for hearing through video conference due to COVID-19 situation.

This is a petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. seeking regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.489, dated 21.08.2021, under Section 18 of the NDPS Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Sector 32-33, District Karnal..

As per the allegation, Devi Lal (petitioner) along with Krishan Kumar was standing under a tree. 455 grams of opium was recovered from the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody since 21.08.2021. Recovery made from the petitioner is of intermediate quantity. Petitioner is not involved in any other NDPS Act case. Investigation is complete and challan presented.

Learned State counsel opposes the prayer for grant of regular bail and submits that the petitioner is a resident of Rajasthan and there is every possibility of his absconding.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is ready to furnish a local surety worth Rs.2,00,000/-.

The recovery was made from the petitioner is of intermediate quantity. Investigation is complete. The conclusion of trial is likely to take time. The petitioner is granted bail on furnishing his local surety to the tune of Rs.2,00,000/- to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

The petition is allowed.

It is clarified that the observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

[AVNEESH JHINGAN]
JUDGE

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| 2. Whether reportable | : | Yes/No |