

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

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**CRM-M NO. 38138 of 2020
Date of decision : 11.01.2021**

Sombir @ Somal

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present: Mr. Rajat Mor, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajneesh Chadwal, AAG, Haryana
for respondent-State.

HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

The case is taken up through video conferencing on account of COVID-19.

The petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of regular bail in case FIR No. 424 dated 18.12.2019 registered under Sections 20 and 61 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 at Police Station City Jhajjar, District Jhajjar.

As per the allegation made in the FIR, 2 kg and 58 grams of charas was recovered from the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that no other case under the NDPS Act is registered against the petitioner. The petitioner is in custody since 18.12.2019. Investigation in the case is complete and challan has been presented. He further states that petitioner has two minor children and old parents.

The trial of case is not making any headway because of COVID -19 pandemic. No useful purpose will be served by keeping the petitioner behind the bars till the conclusion of trial.

Without commenting anything on the merits of the case and also bearing in mind the custody period of the petitioner, this criminal miscellaneous petition is allowed and the petitioner-Sombir @ Somal ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.

11.01.2021

Rajeev (rvs)

**(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether reportable Yes/No