

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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**CRM-M-48349-2021 (O & M)
Date of Decision: December 20, 2021**

LAKHWINDER SINGH @ LAKHI

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Harsh Neyol, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Karanbir Singh, AAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 145 dated 05.10.2021, under Sections 15, 61 and 85 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 ('NDPS Act' - for short), registered at Police Station City Khuian Sarwar, District Fazilka.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged that 20 kilograms poppy husk (non-commercial quantity) was allegedly recovered from a car. The car was struck in roadside mud, as the driver on seeing the police party at the 'Nakka' had tried to take a sharp turn. The petitioner is not the registered owner of the car. He is not involved in any other case under the NDPS Act.

This Court, by the order dated 18.11.2021, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was ordered to be released on ad-interim bail to the satisfaction of the Investigating/Arresting Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Jagraj Singh, states that the petitioner has joined investigation.

In view of the above and the petitioner having joined investigation, the order dated 18.11.2021 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

However, the petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. He shall also join investigation as and when called upon to do so.

The petition stands disposed of.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

December, 20, 2021
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Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No