

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

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CRM-M-659-2022

Date of Decision: 14.01.2022

**RAVINDER SINGH @ Raju**

....Petitioner

**VS**

**STATE OF PUNJAB**

....Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN**

Present: Mr. Atul Goyal, Advocate for the petitioner.  
Mr. Amit Mehta, Senior Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

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**AVNEESH JHINGAN, J.(Oral)**

Due to COVID-19 situation, the Court is convened through video conference.

This petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is filed for grant of regular bail in FIR No.169 dated 21.10.2021, under Sections 18, 25 of the NDPS Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Doraha, District Khanna.

As per the case of the prosecution, on 21.10.2021, during routine patrolling, vehicle i.e., Bolero bearing registration no. PB-10-FH-0555 driven by Harmeet Singh @ Sabby, was checked and 500 gms of opium was recovered from the dashboard of the vehicle. During enquiry, it revealed that the recovered contraband was purchased from Shiv Om, a truck driver. Further that he is coming from Khanna side and in case checking is done heavy recovery can be made. Shiv Om was apprehended and from his truck 2 kg 600 gms of opium was recovered.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is in custody since 21.10.2021, no further recovery is to be made. He further submits that FSL report is yet to be received. He restricts his prayer and seeks interim regular bail for a period of four weeks.

Learned counsel for the State opposes the grant of bail and submits that recovery from the co-accused was of non-commercial i.e., 2 kg and 600 gms of opium.

The prayer of the petitioner for interim bail is accepted. Petitioner is granted interim bail for four weeks subject to furnishing of surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court. He will appear before the trial Court after four weeks and in case the FSL report is not received, the Court concerned shall extend the interim bail till receipt of the FSL report.

The petition stands disposed of.

Needless to say that the petitioner would be at liberty to apply for regular bail on receipt of the FSL report.

**(AVNEESH JHINGAN)**  
**JUDGE**

14.01.2022  
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| Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes |
| Whether reportable        | Yes |