

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-1435-2022
Decided on : 18.02.2022

Baljit @ Mana

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL
(Through Video Conferencing)

PRESENT: Mr. Sandeep Arora, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Karanbir Singh, AAG, Punjab.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (Oral)

Prayer in the present petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No. 75 dated 11.04.2018 registered under Section 22 of the NDPS Act, 1985 at Police Station Adampur, District Jalandhar.

On 14.01.2022, a Coordinate Bench of this Court was pleased to pass the following order:-

“Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 75 dated 11.04.2018, under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Adampur, District Jalandhar Rural.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations against the petitioner are that he was found in

possession of non-commercial quantity of intoxicant powder. He also contends that the petitioner had earlier been granted bail and was appearing before the trial Court regularly, but he could not appear before the Court on one date, as he had wrongly noted the date. Consequently, his bail was cancelled. He undertakes that the petitioner shall henceforth appear before the Court on each and every date of hearing and would not absent himself except with prior permission of the Court.

Issue notice to the respondent.

At the asking of the Court, Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

List on 18.02.2022.

In the meantime, the petitioner shall appear before the trial Court and on his doing so, he shall be released on ad interim bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)

JUDGE ”

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that in pursuance of the abovesaid order, the petitioner has already appeared before the trial Court on 15.02.2022 and has been granted *ad interim* bail and has also furnished requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

Learned State counsel has not disputed the abovesaid fact.

Keeping in view the abovesaid facts and circumstances, the present petition is allowed and the interim order dated 14.01.2022 is ordered to be made absolute.

However, nothing stated above shall be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case and the trial would proceed independently of the observations made in the present case which are only for the purpose of adjudicating the present bail application.

(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE

February 18th, 2022
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Whether reasoned/speaking?	Yes/No
Whether reportable?	Yes/No