

239 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-9576-2022

Date of decision: 4th April, 2022

Manjeet Singh @ Manjit Singh

Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: Mr. Ashish Nagar, Advocate for
Mr. Dinesh Nagar, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG, Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (Oral):

1. This second petition is filed seeking regular bail in FIR No. 0038, dated 7th June, 2020, under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short 'the Act'), registered at Police Station Rawalpindi, District Kapurthala.

2. As per the case set up, on 7th June, 2020, Manjeet Singh (petitioner) was apprehended while driving a motorcycle. Petitioner threw a polythene from which two hundred ten grams of intoxicant powder was recovered.

3. Petitioner was granted interim bail for three months on 7th April, 2021, on medical ground. He was not able to surrender back as his condition deteriorated.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner was

admitted in CCU in Ivy Hospital, Hoshiarpur and now is under intensive care in PGIMER, Chandigarh. Recovery from the petitioner is of non-commercial quantity and investigation is complete.

5. Learned State counsel has filed status report and custody certificate. He opposes the prayer for grant of regular bail and submits that petitioner is involved in eight more cases. However, on instructions he is not in a position to dispute the medical condition of the petitioner as contended by learned counsel for the petitioner.

6. Without commenting upon the merits of the case, considering the fragile medical health of the petitioner, fact that recovery from the petitioner is non-commercial quantity, though the investigation is complete conclusion of the trial is likely to take time, petitioner is granted bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate concerned.

7. The petition is allowed.

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

[AVNEESH JHINGAN]
JUDGE

4th April, 2022

Parveen Sharma

1. Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes /No
2. Whether reportable	:	Yes /No