

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-19071-2022 (O&M)
Date of decision: 12.05.2022

Sulakhan Singh @ Sakha

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. Vipin Mahajan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this 2nd petition is for grant of regular bail in FIR No.08 dated 26.01.2020 under Sections 15, 29 of NDPS Act (Section 29 of NDPS Act was added later on), registered at Police Station Bhaini Mian Khan, District Gurdaspur; earlier one was disposed of vide order dated 27.05.2021, granting interim bail to the petitioner, in view of COVID-19.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner was granted interim bail vide order dated 27.05.2021 passed in CRM-M-20704-2021 in view of COVID-19 situation and after availing the same, he surrendered back and has not misused the concession. It is further submitted

that the petitioner is in custody for the last 01 year, 10 months and 20 days and is not involved in any other case; charges were framed on 19.03.2021, however, out of total 13 prosecution witnesses, none has been examined so far and the trial is delayed.

Learned State counsel has filed the custody certificate in the Court today and has not disputed the factual position.

After hearing learned counsel for the parties, without commenting anything on merits of the case and considering aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case, this petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail subject to furnishing his bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

Petition is disposed of.

[ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN]
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No