

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-23102-2021 (O&M)
Date of decision: 12.01.2022

Inderpal Singh

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. Abhinav Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No.61 dated 05.05.2021 under Sections 21/29 of NDPS Act, registered at Police Station Shambu, District Patiala.

While granting interim bail to the petitioner, following order was passed by this Court on 15.06.2021: -

“...Learned counsel submits that the petitioner has been arrayed as an accused in the case in hand on the basis of the disclosure statement of main accused Gagandeep Singh from whom the alleged recovery of 60000 narcotic tablets was effected. Learned counsel submits that the evidentiary value of such disclosure statement is of extremely weak in nature for which he stands

entitled to the concession of anticipatory bail. The learned counsel has further submitted that in the disclosure statement the co-accused stated that the petitioner had got loaded the contraband at Delhi whereas it was a matter of record that on the date when the contraband was allegedly loaded in the car he was not even present in Delhi but was at Patiala. On a pointed query put to the learned counsel as to whether the petitioner is involved in any other case of similar nature he submits that though he was involved in another case but he already stands acquitted in that case way back in the year 2019 and as on date he is not involved in any other case of similar nature...”

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in pursuance of the aforesaid order, the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for any further investigation.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Manohar Singh, has not disputed the factual position and states that the petitioner is no more required for any further investigation.

In view of the above, this petition is allowed and the interim bail granted to the petitioner vide order dated 15.06.2021 is made absolute subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

[ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN]
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No