

CRM-M-24741-2022

Date of Decision: 04.07.2022

Atul Kumar

.....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH

Present: Mr. Jagdish Manchanda, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rana Harjasdeep Singh, D.A.G., Punjab.

AMOL RATTAN SINGH, J. (ORAL)

This petition has been filed under the provisions of Section 439 of the Cr.P.C., for grant of 'regular bail' to the petitioner in the context of FIR No. 02, dated 09.01.2019, registered at Police Station S.G.N Thermal Plant, District Bathinda, for the alleged commission of an offence punishable under the provisions of Section 22 of the NDPS Act, 2022.

Though learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been in custody since 09.01.2019, i.e. 3½ years now, and that there were no independent witnesses joined at the time when the petitioner was apprehended and searched and it is also doubtful that a gazetted officer was present at the spot, however, learned counsel for the State on instructions from Head Constable Pritam Singh, submits that in fact all prosecution witnesses stand examined and the trial is posted for hearing now on 08.07.2022 for defence witnesses to be examined.

In view of the above, I see no reason to entertain this petition at this stage, which is consequently dismissed.

[This is despite the fact that learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner remained on interim bail earlier.]

July 04, 2022
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(AMOL RATTAN SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes
No.