

**204 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M-28121-2021

Date of decision-22.02.2022

Rishi Khanna

...Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present: Mr. B.S.Bhalla, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, DAG, Punjab.

MANOJ BAJAJ, J.

Petitioner has approached this Court under Section 438 Code of Criminal Procedure to seek anticipatory bail in case FIR No.51 dated 15.06.2021 under Section 22-C Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (Section 29 NDPS added later on) registered at Police Station Fatehgarh Churian, District Batala, who apprehends his arrest at the hands of Police.

On 20.07.2021, this Court had passed the following order:-

“Learned counsel contends that the contraband (2700 intoxicating tablets) were recovered from co-accused Charanjit Singh @ Sonu, who was arrested on the spot and subsequently, on his disclosure statement, the petitioner was indicted as an accused on the ground that the said contraband was procured by Charanjit Singh @ Sonu from him. Learned counsel has drawn the attention of the Court to the licence (Annexure P-1) to contend that the petitioner is running a chemist shop, namely, M/s Shiv Shakti Medicos. According to him, in the given facts, the custodial interrogation of the petitioner may not be necessary.

Notice of motion for 01.12.2021.

Meanwhile, the petitioner shall join the investigation and would come present as and when called for and in the

event of arrest, the petitioner shall be admitted to interim bail on his furnishing personal and surety bonds to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. The petitioner shall also abide by the conditions as specified under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

On 01.12.2021, the petitioner was again directed to join the investigation.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has stated that in compliance of the above order, the petitioner associated himself in the investigation and cooperated during interrogation.

Learned State counsel who is instructed by SI Rajinder Pal Singh states that indeed the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for custodial interrogation for the time being.

Considering above, the petition is allowed and the interim bail granted by this Court vide order dated 20.07.2021 is made absolute.

(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

22.02.2022

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Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No