

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

**CRM-M-44232-2022**

DATE OF DECISION: DECEMBER 1, 2022

KAWALPREET SINGH @ SURAJ

...PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK MANCHANDA.**

PRESENT: MR. ASHISH AGGARWAL, ADVOCATE FOR THE PETITIONER.  
MR. JASHANDEEP SINGH, AAG, PUNJAB.

**DEEPAK MANCHANDA, J.(ORAL)**

Petitioner Kawalpreet Singh @ Suraj has prayed for grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C. in case FIR No.190 dated 27.8.2018, under Section 22 NDPS Act, Police Station Chheharta, District Amritsar City.

As per the FIR, the petitioner alongwith his co-accused is alleged to have been found in possession of 920 intoxicated tablets.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that similarly situated co-accused of the petitioner, namely, Paramjit Singh @ Pamma has been granted the concession of regular bail by this Court on 19.5.2022. He submits that though the challan has been presented on 25.11.2019, but the trial of the case is likely to consume considerable time. He prays that the petitioner be released on regular bail during the pendency of the trial.

On the other hand, learned counsel for the State assisted by ASI Arjan Singh does not dispute that the co-accused of the petitioner has already been released on bail by this Court. However, he submits that the

petitioner is involved in another case of similar nature.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner has placed on record the order dated 9.9.2019, passed by the trial Court in case FIR No.125 dated 29.7.2019, under section 21, 27, 29, 32, 61, 85 NDPS Act, Police Station Chheharta, Amritsar, vide which he has been granted bail in the said FIR.

After hearing the learned counsel for the parties, since the similarly situated co-accused has already been granted regular bail by this Court and the trial has commenced, the conclusion of the same is likely to take some time.

Resultantly, without meaning any expression of opinion on the merits of the case, it is ordered that the petitioner be released on regular bail subject to his furnishing requisite bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court concerned.

The petition is allowed.

December 1, 2022  
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**(DEEPAK MANCHANDA)**  
**JUDGE**

Whether Reportable : Yes/No

Whether Speaking/Reasoned : Yes/No