

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

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CRM-M-50515-2021

Date of decision : 30.03.2022.

Ajit Singh @ Ajit Rana

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.. Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. Lupil Gupta, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Kapil Bansal, DAG, Haryana.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.876 dated 17.12.2019 under Sections 21(c) and 22(c) of the NDPS Act registered at Police Station Sector 7, District Faridabad.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is a registered pharmacist and is running a chemist shop. A copy of the license is at Annexure P-2. The alleged recovery which has been effected from the petitioner is 4500 tablets of Alprazolam, 1440 bottles of Rescuff containing codeine and 200 vials of Ketamine. The petitioner is in custody for over two years and three months and is not involved in any other case under the NDPS Act.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Rattan Singh, states that two out of fifteen prosecution witnesses have been examined. He has filed the custody certificate in Court, which indicates that the petitioner is in custody for 02 years, 03 months and 10 days as on 29.03.2022. He also contends that in view of the serious allegations against the petitioner, he is not entitled to the concession of regular bail.

Heard.

In view of the above especially when the petitioner is in custody for over two years and three months, he is not involved in any other case under the NDPS Act, the Covid-19 pandemic and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

March 30, 2022
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No