

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-50668-2022
DECIDED ON: 21.11.2022

SOHAN RAM

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL

Present: Mr. Vikas Bishnoi, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. P.K. Aggarwal, DAG, Haryana.

SANDEEP MOUDGIL, J. (ORAL)

This is a petition seeking regular bail in FIR No.257, dated 27.07.2022, under Section 18 of the NDPS Act, 1985 (Section 27-A of the NDPS Act added later on), registered at Police Station City Ratia, District Fatehabad.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case, wherein non-commercial quantity i.e. 400 grams of opium has been allegedly recovered.

On the other hand, learned State counsel has filed custody certificate of the petitioner today in the Court, which is taken on record. According to the custody certificate, the petitioner is already behind bars for the last 03 months and 22 days and there is no other case pending against the petitioner.

Looking at the totality of the facts and circumstances and also the fact that the trial is likely to take long time and the petitioner is already behind bars for almost 04 months, therefore, no fruitful purpose will be served by keeping the petitioner behind bars, therefore, the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Illaqa Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

The present petition is, therefore, allowed.

(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)
JUDGE

21.11.2022

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<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>