

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

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CRM-M-57410-2022

Date of decision : 19.12.2022.

Manjeet

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.. Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Ms. Divya Narula, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Narender Singh Behgal, AAG, Haryana.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.22 dated 18.01.2020 under Sections 22/61/85 of the NDPS Act registered at Police Station City Mandi Dabwali, District Sirsa.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the alleged recovery of 1600 tablets of Alprazolam has been effected from the petitioner. The petitioner is in custody for almost three years. He was involved in other cases under the NDPS Act but they pertain to non-commercial quantity. He is on bail in those cases and has not misused the concession of bail.

Learned State counsel has filed the status report by way of an affidavit of Deputy Superintendent of Police, Dabwali in Court which is taken on record. He, while referring to the status report, submits that none of the 19 prosecution witnesses has been examined. He also submits that the petitioner is involved in several other cases including three cases under the NDPS Act but they pertain to recovery of non-commercial quantity. He has filed the custody certificate in Court, which indicates that the petitioner is in custody for 02 years, 10 months and 26 days as on 14.12.2022.

Heard.

In view of the above especially when the petitioner is in custody for over 02 years and 11 months 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.

At the time of release of the petitioner, the SHO, Police Station City Mandi Dabwali, District Sirsa would be informed and the petitioner shall furnish his mobile number to the SHO and keep his mobile location on till the conclusion of the trial. He shall also appear before the Police Station on first Monday of every month till the conclusion of the trial.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

December 19, 2022

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