

212 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-8306-2023 (O&M)

Date of Decision: February 27, 2023

Meena @ Veena

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present:- Mr. Hitesh Verma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. R.S. Khaira, DAG, Punjab.

DEEPAK GUPTA, J.(Oral)

Status report by way of affidavit of Satvir Singh, Deputy Superintendent of Police (SD), Barnala, District Barnala has been placed on record by learned State counsel. A copy thereof has been supplied to the counsel for the petitioner.

Heard.

55000 intoxicant tablets besides 45 intoxicant vials were recovered from co-accused Malkeet Singh and Mani Singh. As per the disclosure statement suffered co-accused Malkeet Singh, some of the vials and tablets were intended to be delivered to petitioner Meena alias Veena.

In the reply filed today, the only role attributed to the petitioner is that some of the contraband was to be delivered to her.

The bail of the petitioner is opposed on the ground that she is involved in two other cases also and in one of them, she has already been convicted.

Counsel for the petitioner has referred to the judgment in case of *“Shreyansh Jhabak v. The State of Chhattisgarh”, (Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No.5458 of 2021, decided on 20.09.2021)*

Wherein the Hon'ble Supreme Court in similar circumstances has

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allowed bail when the accused-petitioner was implicated solely on the basis of disclosure statement of the co-accused.

Admittedly, except for the disclosure statement of co-accused, there is no other material against the petitioner.

As per custody certificate placed on record by learned State counsel, petitioner is in custody since 20.12.202. Trial may take time to conclude.

Having regard to the aforesaid factual position, but without commenting anything upon the merits of the case, the petitioner is admitted to regular bail in case FIR No.580, dated 17.12.2022, registered at Police Station City Barnala, District Barnala, under Sections 21, 22, 25 and 29 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 and she is ordered to be released on bail on her furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned Trial Court concerned.

Allowed.

February 27, 2023

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**(DEEPAK GUPTA)
JUDGE**

Whether reasoned/speaking: Yes/No
Whether reportable: Yes/No