

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

Sr. No.258

CRM-M-8548-2023

Date of Decision : February 27, 2023

Pankaj

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL

Present: Mr. Amit Choudhary, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Deepak Grewal, DAG, Haryana.

SUDHIR MITTAL, J. (ORAL)

This petition has been filed for grant of regular bail in FIR No.509, dated 14.10.2022, registered at Police Station City Bahadurgarh, District Jhajjar, under Section 17 of NDPS Act, 1985.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner has been in custody for over four months. Recovery of intermediate quantity of opium was made from him. The charge has not yet been framed and thus, the trial is not likely to be concluded at an early date. Keeping in view of these facts, the petitioner may be granted regular bail.

Custody certificate dated 20.02.2023 digitally signed by Sh.Amit, Deputy Superintendent, District Prison, Jhajjar has been filed in Court. The same is taken on record. A perusal thereof shows that the petitioner has undergone actual custody of 04 months and 05 days and there is no other criminal case pending against him.

Learned State counsel concedes that charge has not yet been framed.

It is thus evident that the trial is not likely to be concluded at an early date. Keeping in view the fact that the petitioner has a clean record as well as the period of custody undergone, I deem it appropriate to grant him regular bail. Accordingly, the petition is allowed. He is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

February 27, 2023

Ankur

(SUDHIR MITTAL)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes
Whether Reportable	No