

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

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CRM-M-9570-2023

Date of decision: 23.02.2023

Ved Ram

.....Petitioner

Versus

Narcotics Control Bureau, Chandigarh

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Vivek Suri, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Puneeta Sethi, Sr. Panel Counsel, UOI
for the respondent.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

The present petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case NCB Crime No.43/2022 dated 18.06.2022 under Sections 8, 20, 25, 28, 29 and 60 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short, 'the NDPS Act') within the jurisdiction of Police Station NCB Chandigarh.

Learned counsel while inviting the attention of this Court to complaint (Annexure P-1) which was registered pursuant to a secret information received by the NCB, submits that a perusal of the same clearly reveals that the petitioner was not named in the complaint in question and the alleged recovery of 3.625 kgs. of charas was effected from co-accused Varun Sharma and his wife Leena Sharma who had been named in the said secret information. Learned counsel submits that Varun Sharma during investigation suffered a statement that the recovered contraband had been supplied to him by the petitioner. He

submits that a totally false and fabricated case has been planted upon the petitioner and he is in no way linked with the alleged recovery. He further submits that in his disclosure statement suffered on 21.06.2022, co-accused Varun Sharma stated that the contraband had been supplied by one Ved Narayan, however, subsequently he improved upon his statement and stated that the recovered contraband had been supplied to him by Ved Narayan @ Ved Ram.

I have heard learned counsel and perused the relevant material on record.

The alleged recovery of 3.625 kgs. of charas is huge and falls under the commercial quantity, hence, this Court would not be inclined to extend the extraordinary concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner moreso in view of the bar created under Section 37 of the NDPS Act.

Dismissed.

23.02.2023

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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

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