

2023:PHHC:038019

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

CRM-M-12134-2023
Date of decision: 13.03.2023

Baljit @ Bunty

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present:- Mr.R.S.Dadwal, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr.Vikas Arora, AAG, Punjab

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J (Oral)

This is the petitioner's second attempt to get interim bail in a criminal case arising from FIR no.115 dated 15.10.2017 registered under Section 15, 29, 61, 85 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, at Police Station Sadar Rupnagar, District Rupnagar, for a period of two weeks, to enable him to attend the marriage of his real sister, which is scheduled to be held on 17.03.2023.

As per the prosecution case, the petitioner alongwith his co-accused was apprehended with 6 quintals of poppy husk.

Learned State counsel on instructions from Sh.Kanwar Raj Kumar, ASI, admits that the petitioner's sister is getting married on 17.03.2023.

As per the petitioner's case, he has already suffered incarceration for a period of 5 years and 5 months, approximately. He further submits that the petitioner is the elder brother and his father is also in custody, therefore, his presence is necessary in order to perform certain

customary ceremonies as there is no other male member in the family.

This fact is not disputed by the learned State counsel.

Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, the petitioner is granted the interim bail for a period of one week i.e from 15.03.2023 to 21.03.2023, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the concerned Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate/trial court. He shall be required to surrender to the concerned jail authorities on 22.03.2023 at 10:00 A.M.

Disposed of in the above terms.

All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, are also disposed of.

13.03.2023

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No

(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE