

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-18927 of 2022(O&M)
Date of decision: 16th January, 2023

Sindhu Singh @ Kaka

Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: Mr. Devender S. Punia, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Sharad Aggarwal, Assistant Advocate General, Haryana.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (Oral):

This is second petition seeking regular bail in FIR No. 179 dated 1.7.2020, under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 registered at Police Station Civil Lines Sirsa.

As per the case set up, on 1.7.2020, car bearing registration No. HR-55AH-4432 was checked by the police party. The car was being driven by Sindhu Singh @ Kaka (petitioner). Soran Singh @ Sonu was sitting on the front seat and Amarjit Singh at the back seat. From the back seat, a plastic bag containing 11,900 capsules having Tramadol salt were recovered.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is in custody since 1.7.2020, the petitioner was a driver of a taxi which was hired for travelling from Alwar to Haryana. The contention is that the petitioner is not involved in any other case and he had no knowledge as to what the passengers were carrying.

Learned counsel for the State though opposes the prayer for grant of bail, relies upon the contents of the reply and submits that the vehicle was registered as a taxi and the petitioner was the driver. He fairly

submits that the petitioner is not involved in any other case.

Without commenting on the merits of the case and considering that though investigation is complete trial is likely to take time, as per the case set up the petitioner was driving the taxi and the petitioner has no criminal antecedents, the petitioner is granted bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate concerned.

The petition is allowed.

Since the main petition has been decided, pending applications also stand disposed of.

It is clarified that observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

[AVNEESH JHINGAN]
JUDGE

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1. Whether speaking/ reasoned

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Yes / No
2. Whether reportable

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Yes / No