

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-22318-2023

Date of Decision:31.07.2023

Manpreet Singh @ Laddi
Vs.

.....Petitioner

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present:- Mr. Amandeep Sharma, Advocate with
Mr. A.S. Manaise, Advocate for
the petitioner.

Mr. M.S. Nagra, AAG, Punjab assisted
by ASI Balwinder Singh.

DEEPAK GUPTA, J.(ORAL)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail under
Section 438 Cr.P.C in case FIR No.42 dated 08.04.2023 registered under
Section 21, 29 of NDPS Act registered at Police Station Ghuman, Police
District Batala, District Gurdaspur.

On 04.05.2023, following order was passed:

*“Prayer in this case is to grant anticipatory bail in case FIR
No.42 dated 08.04.2023 registered under Sections 21 and 29 of NDPS
Act, at Police Station Ghuman District Batala, District Gurdaspur.*

*Allegations are that 25 grams of heroin from the possession of
Gurpreet Singh; 20 grams of heroin from the possession of Ranjit
Singh; and 20 grams of heroin from Kulwinder Singh was
recovered on 08.04.2023 and as per the disclosure statements
suffered by these coaccused, the contraband was supplied to them by
petitioner – Manpreet Singh.*

*It is contended by the learned counsel for the petitioner that no
recovery has been effected from the petitioner and that he is ready to
join the investigation.*

Notice of motion.

Mr. R.S. Khaira, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent- State.

Adjourned to 31.07.2023 for filing status report, particularly about the criminal antecedents of the petitioner and specifying as to whether there has been any connection between the co-accused and the petitioner.

In the meantime, in case of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim bail subject to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/ Investigating Officer. However, it is further directed that the petitioner shall join the investigation as and when so required by the Investigating Officer. He shall not contact any person associated with the case to dissuade him from the investigation in any manner whatsoever and nor shall leave the country without prior permission of the Court. He shall further comply with the conditions stipulated in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

On instructions from ASI Balwinder Singh it is conceded by learned State counsel that petitioner has since joined the investigation. In view of the same and having regard to the factual position noticed earlier on 04.05.2023, the petition is allowed and the order dated 04.05.2023 granting interim anticipatory bail to the petitioner, is made absolute.

However, the petitioner shall continue to join the investigation as and when called upon to do so by the Investigating Agency and shall abide by the conditions of Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

July 31, 2023

Neetika Tuteja

**(DEEPAK GUPTA)
JUDGE**

Whether Speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No