

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-50505-2023

Date of decision: 06.10.2023

Arvinder Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Aditya Dassaur, Advocate for the petitioner.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking the concession of anticipatory bail under Section 438 of the Cr.P.C. in case FIR No.103 dated 17.07.2023 under Sections 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short, 'the NDPS Act') registered at Police Station Meharban, District Ludhiana, District Ludhiana.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner *inter alia* contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case in hand on account of some political rivalry between the person from whom an alleged recovery of 40 grams ICE along with electronic weighing scale and 30 plastic envelopes was effected by the police. It has further been submitted that no doubt there are two other cases under the NDPS Act pending against the petitioner, however, they too are a result of the political rivalry between the petitioner and the co-villagers.

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

4. A secret information was received by the police qua the

involvement of the petitioner along with co-accused Davis Kapoor @ Deep in the illegal sale of ICE Metamfetamin. Thereafter, when the raid was conducted, recovery of 40 grams ICE along with electronic weighing scale and 30 plastic envelopes was effected from outside the house of the co-accused, who was found sitting there. Prima facie, the petitioner appears to be a habitual offender as he is involved in two other cases under the NDPS Act. This Court, therefore, keeping in view his criminal antecedents, does not deem it fit to extend the extraordinary concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Dismissed.

6. However, it is made clear that anything observed hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

06.10.2023

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JUDGE

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