

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-60695-2022 (O & M)

Date of decision: 27.04.2023

Khushbir Singh

..... Petitioner

V/s

State of Punjab

...Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI**

Present: Mr. Anshumaan Dalal, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Kirat Singh Sidhu, DAG, Punjab.

**JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J. (Oral)**

The petitioner seeks the grant of anticipatory bail under Section 438 Cr.P.C. in case bearing FIR No.65 dated 23.07.2022 under Section 21(a) of the NDPS Act and Section 29 of the NDPS Act (Sections 27-a, 32, 35 of the NDPS Act added later on) registered at Police Station Kotli, Surat Mallian, District Gurdaspur, Punjab.

The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that pursuant to the interim order dated 23.12.2022 passed by this Court, the petitioner has joined the investigation.

The short reply dated 27.04.2023 filed on behalf of the respondent-State is taken on record. The learned State counsel on instructions submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation in terms of the order dated 23.12.2022 and is not required for custodial interrogation.

In this view of the matter, interim order dated 23.12.2022 is made absolute.

However, the petitioner shall keep on joining the investigation as and when required to do so and he shall abide by the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

The petition stands disposed of.

**( JASJIT SINGH BEDI)**

**JUDGE**

**April 27, 2023**