

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-8764-2024
Date of Decision:29.02.2024

Ranjeet Singh @ Raja ...Petitioner

vs.

State of Punjab ...Respondent

Coram : Hon’ble Mr. Justice N.S.Shekhawat

Present : Mr. Gagandeep Singh Bajwa, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. M.S. Bajwa, DAG, Punjab.

N.S.Shekhawat J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 439 Cr.PC with a prayer to grant regular bail to him in case FIR No. 232 dated 04.08.2023, registered under Section 21/29 of NDPS Act, Police Station Special Task Force, District SAS Nagar, Mohali.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely involved in the present case only on the basis of suspicion. As per him, no recovery has been effected from the present petitioner and his case is clearly distinguishable from the case of other accused, from whom the alleged recovery has been effected. Learned counsel next contends that petitioner is in custody since 01.09.2023 and the investigation has been completed in the present case and the final report under Section 173 Cr.P.C has already been presented against him.
3. On the other hand, learned State counsel has vehemently opposed

the prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner on the ground that serious allegations have been levelled against the present petitioner, however, he admits that no other criminal case was registered against the present petitioner and the petitioner has no criminal antecedents.

4. I have heard the learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.

5. It is not in dispute that no recovery has been effected from the present petitioner and the petitioner has no criminal antecedents. Apart from that the petitioner is in custody since 01.09.2023 and the final report under Section 173 Cr.P.C has already been presented against him.

6. Without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate/Chief Judicial Magistrate, concerned.

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(N.S.SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

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