



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-22958-2024
Date of decision: 28.05.2024

SANDEEP SINGHPETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB ...RESPONDENT

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present: - Mr. A.S. Dhindsa, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Adesh Pal Singh, AAG, Punjab.

SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

1. Status report dated 28.05.2024, filed in the form of affidavit of Deputy Superintendent of Police (Detective), Sangrur, on behalf of State-respondent, is taken on record. Copy thereof has been supplied to learned counsel for the petitioner.
2. By way of present petition filed under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR (Annexure P-1) as under:

FIR No.	Dated	Section	Police Station
30	10.04.2024	22 and 29 of the NDPS Act	Dirba, District Sangrur.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance to the order dated 08.05.2024 passed by this Court, the petitioner has already joined the investigation and as such prayed for confirming the interim bail granted vide order dated 08.05.2024.
4. Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Balkar Singh intimates the Court that the petitioner has joined investigation and is



neither required for further investigation nor for any custodial investigation.

5. During the course of hearing on 08.05.2024, following order was passed:

“2. Learned counsel for the petitioner, inter alia, contends that the petitioner is innocent and has no concern with the instant case but has been nominated on the basis of alleged disclosure statement of co-accused Bara Singh from whom recovery of 600 intoxicant tablets containing Tramadol was allegedly effected by the Police. He submits that the petitioner is not having any criminal antecedents and is ready to join investigation.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On the asking of the Court, Mr. Ankit Grewal, DAG Punjab present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State and prays for time to file status report/reply in the matter.

5. Adjourned to 28.05.2024.

6. Needful be done well before the date fixed with an advance copy to the counsel opposite.

7. In the meanwhile, the petitioner is hereby directed to join investigation within seven days from today and co-operate in the same. In the event of the arrest of the petitioner, he shall be released on interim bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. He shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. ”

6. Keeping in view the above submissions made by learned State counsel and the fact that the petitioner had joined the investigation consequent to the order dated 08.05.2024 passed by this Court, interim



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bail granted vide order dated 08.05.2024 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. Further the petitioner is directed to join investigation as and when required in future by way of written notice for such purpose to be served by Investigating Officer of this case upon the petitioner; he will not tamper with the evidence nor will influence the witnesses and will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court.

7. The petition stands allowed.

8. It is made clear that anything contained hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

28.05.2024*S. Sharma (syr)*

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |