



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M No.38922 of 2024
Date of decision: 20.09.2024

AKSHAY KUMAR

.... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

.... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present : Mr. Raman Chawala, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Arjun Lakhanpal, Addl. A.G., Haryana.

MANISHA BATRA, J. (oral)

1. The present petition has been filed by the petitioner for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No. 253, dated 23.06.2024, under Sections 20(b), 27-A of Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances, Act, 1985 at Police Station Narnaund, District Hisar.
2. Vide order dated 12.08.2024, passed by this Court, the petitioner was released on interim bail and was directed to join investigation. Order dated 12.08.2024, passed by this Court, reads as under:

“Through the instant petition, prayer is made for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case arising out of FIR No. 0253 dated 23.06.2024, under Sections 20(b), 27-A of Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 registered at Police Station Narnaund District Hisar on the allegations that on 23.06.2024, the coaccused-Satpal@ Sattu was found to be in possession of 1.970 kg of Ganja. He had been arrested during investigation and suffered a disclosure statement by mentioning



that recovered Ganja has been handed over to him by the present petitioner.

It is argued by learned counsel for the petitioner, he has been falsely implicated in this case. Offence under NDPS Act has not attracted at all against the present petitioner. The recovered quantity would fall in the category of non-commercial. He has not been named in the present FIR. On the basis of statement of co-accused only, the present petitioner cannot be considered for having involvement in this crime. No recovery is to be effected from the petitioner. He is ready to join the proceedings. His custodial interrogation is not required.

Learned State counsel who has advance notice of the petition seeks time to file status report.

Adjourned to 20.09.2024.

In the meantime, the petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating/Arresting Officer to join investigation within one week or as and when subsequently required thereafter. In the event of his arrest, the Investigating/Arresting Officer shall release the petitioner on interim bail on furnishing personal/surety bonds to his/her satisfaction. The petitioner shall also abide by the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

3. Status report filed on behalf of the respondent-State is taken on record. Learned State counsel, on instructions from the Investigating Officer,



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has submitted that that the petitioner has joined investigation on 21.08.2024 and he is not required for custodial interrogation.

4. Keeping in view the above mentioned facts and circumstances, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 08.08.2024, granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute, subject to compliance of terms and conditions requisite for grant of anticipatory bail.

20.09.2024
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(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE

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