



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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**CRM-M-45100-2024 (O&M)
Date of decision : 21.10.2024**

VIKRAMJEET SINGH ALIAS VICKY

.....Petitioner

versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

Present :- Ms. Surbhi Yadav, Advocate for
Mr. Gurpal Singh Sandhu, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Eklavya Darshi, DAG, Punjab.

HARKESH MANUJA, J. (Oral)

[1] The petitioner, by way of this 2nd petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C., seeks grant of regular bail pending trial in case bearing FIR No. 17 dated 24.04.2023, under Sections 22, 61, 85 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Lakhewali, District Sri Muktsar Sahib.

[2] As per allegations, the petitioner was found in possession of 50 tablets of Etizolam without any permit or license.

[3] Learned State Counsel vehemently opposes the prayer for grant of regular bail while referring to the antecedents of the petitioner who is stated to be involved in one more case of NDPS Act; though on bail involving non-commercial quantity.

[4] I have heard learned counsel for the parties and gone through the paper-book.



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[5] In the present case, the petitioner is behind the bars for the last one year six months by now; the investigation already stands concluded with the filing of challan and the conclusion of trial may take some time; eight of the prosecution witnesses are yet to be examined. Moreover, the involvement of the petitioner in other case is still subjudice; involving non-commercial quantity and he is stated to be on bail, thus, I do not find any justification to extend the incarceration of the petitioner.

[6] In view of the above, but without commenting anything on the merits of the case, lest it may prejudice the trial, the present petition is **allowed** and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing adequate bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Trial Court / Illaqa Magistrate / Duty Magistrate concerned.

[7] Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, shall also disposed off.

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**(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE**

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