



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-54759-2024  
Date of decision: 09.12.2024

LOVEKIRAN SINGH ALIAS MANGA  
....PETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB  
....RESPONDENT

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present: - Ms. Kirandeep Kaur, Advocate for  
Mr. Amardeep Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.  
  
Mr. Ankit Grewal, DAG, Punjab.

SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

By way of present petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS,  
petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR (Annexure P-2) as under:

| FIR No. | Dated      | Sections                     | Police Station                         |
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| 94      | 31.07.2024 | 21(B), 29 of NDPS Act, 1985. | Sadar Tarn Taran, District Tarn Taran. |

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance to the order dated 19.11.2024 passed by this Court, the petitioner has already joined the investigation and as such prayed for confirming the interim bail granted vide order dated 19.11.2024.
3. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Sukhdev Singh, intimates the Court that the petitioner has joined investigation and is neither required for further investigation nor for any custodial interrogation.



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4. During the course of hearing on 19.11.2024, following order was passed:

*“ Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been nominated in the FIR on the basis of disclosure statement of co-accused. He however submits that there is mention of one Manga Suniara in the FIR , however, there is nothing on record to say that the petitioner is the same person.*

*Heard.*

*After considering the submissions made by both the sides, it transpires that the petitioner, having no previous involvement in the NDPS cases, has been nominated in the present case on the basis of disclosure statement of coaccused Princepal Singh, from whom recovery of contraband had been effected.*

*ASI Manjinder Singh, Investigating Officer of the case is present in Court and submits that apart from the aforesaid disclosure statement of co-accused Princepal Singh, there is nothing substantive on record against the petitioner as of now.*

*Be it the case, without commenting on the merits of the case, 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 482(2) BNSS.*

*List on 09.12.2024. ”*

5. 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 19.11.2024 passed by this Court, interim bail



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granted vide order dated 19.11.2024 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 482 (2) of BNSS, 2023. 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.

6.           The petition stands allowed.
7.           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

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