



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

CRM-M No.55894 of 2024 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 13.11.2024

SUKHCHAIN SINGH

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Dr. Bandana Trikha Sachdev, Advocate
for the petitioner. (Through V.C.)

Mr. Amit Rana, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Manjari Nehru Kaul, J.(Oral)

1. This is the petition filed by the petitioner seeking grant of short-term release or interim bail to him for a period of two weeks/one month on humanitarian grounds due to his upcoming marriage, in case FIR No.17 dated 10.02.2024 under Sections 21 and 29 of NDPS Act registered at Police Station Guruhar Sahai, District Ferozpur.

2. In compliance of order dated 12.11.2024, learned State counsel, on instructions, has not disputed that the marriage of the petitioner is indeed due to take place at village Chak Chhanga Rai Hithar (Chimbewala), District Ferozepur. Learned State counsel has, however, vehemently opposed the prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner for extending the concession of interim bail to the petitioner for a period of two weeks/one month as the petitioner was apprehended in the present case pursuant to a specific secret information received with respect to his involvement in drug trafficking; the petitioner was thereafter apprehended and a huge recovery multiple times more than the minimum classified as commercial under the



NDPS Act i.e. 1 Kg of heroin was then allegedly affected from the petitioner. Learned State counsel has submitted that the aforesaid recovery of 1 Kg heroin was affected by the police after due compliance of all the mandatory provisions of the NDPS Act. Learned State counsel has submitted that since the challan stands presented and even charges stand framed, there is a strong possibility that in case the petitioner is enlarged on interim bail for the period as prayed for he could abscond and/or be involved in other cases under the NDPS Act.

- 3. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the material relevant on record.
- 4. In view of the instructions received by the State counsel, the petitioner is extended the concession of interim bail only for one day i.e. 15.11.2024. However, the petitioner shall be taken to the venue of the marriage i.e. Village Chak Chhanga Rai Hithar (Chimbewala), District Ferozepur under police escort and after his marriage has been solemnized, he would be escorted back to the Jail where he is presently lodged on the same day by 05:00 P.M. All travel expenses incurred by the authorities concerned, shall be borne by the petitioner.
- 5. Disposed of in the above said terms.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

13.11.2024
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Whether Speaking/Reasoned : Yes/No
Whether Reportable : Yes/No