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

**CRM-M-25777-2025 (O&M)**

**Reserved on : 31.07.2025**

**Pronounced on : 05.08.2025**

**Pardeep Kumar alias Pradeep Kumar**

**...Petitioner**

**Versus**

**State of Haryana**

**...Respondent**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA**

Present:- Mr. Satnam Singh Gill, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Ms. Shweta Nahata, DAG, Haryana.

**MANISHA BATRA, J.**

1. The instant one is the third petition that has been filed by the petitioner seeking grant of regular bail in case arising out of FIR No. 125 dated 01.06.2024, registered under Sections 22C and 29 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 at Police Station Kalka, District Panchkula. The first petition, bearing **CRM-M-34400-2024**, was dismissed by this Court on 08.01.2025 and the second petition, bearing **CRM-M-19052-2025**, was disposed of by this Court on 23.04.2025 granting concession of interim bail to the petitioner for a limited period.

2. The petitioner has been booked in the aforesaid case as an accused and is facing trial therein on the allegations that he had supplied 1200 tablets of Lomotil to co-accused Vimal Kumar, who was apprehended by the police party on 01.06.2024 and recovery of aforesaid tablets was effected from him. The petitioner was arrested on 03.06.2024 barring period of his interim bail.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has argued that the petitioner has

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been falsely implicated in this case. He is not involved in any other case and has clean antecedents. He was neither named in the FIR nor was found at the spot. Rather, his implication in this case is based on the disclosure statement suffered by above named co-accused, which is not admissible in evidence. Even otherwise, investigation has since been completed and challan has been filed. Conclusion of trial is likely to take time as no prosecution witness has been examined so far. The petitioner is in custody since 03.06.2024 barring the period of his interim bail, which was for about 10 days. No useful purpose would be served by keeping him in custody anymore. It is, therefore, urged that the petition deserves to be allowed.

4. Status report has been filed by the respondent-State. Learned Deputy Advocate General, Punjab has argued that keeping in view the gravity of the allegations levelled against the petitioner, he is not entitled to get benefit of bail. It is, thus, argued that the petition is liable to be dismissed.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties at considerable length and have also perused the material placed on record.

6. The petitioner has been nominated in this case on the basis of the disclosure statement suffered by above named co-accused. The petitioner was arrested on 03.06.2024. He is in custody since then, except for about 10 days when he was interim bail granted to him due to death of his father. A perusal of the custody certificate as well as the status report reveals that he is not involved in any other case and has clean antecedents. Although, challan has been presented on 16.09.2024, however, no prosecution witness has been examined so far, which means conclusion of trial would take considerable time. Keeping in view the discussion as made above, I am of the considered opinion that no

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useful purpose would be served by keeping him in custody anymore. Accordingly, the present petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail, subject to his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned. However, it will be open for the prosecution to apply for cancellation of bail in case the petitioner is found involved in any other subsequent case.

7. It is made clear that any observation made herein above is only for the purpose of deciding the present petition and the same shall have no bearing on the merits of the case.

05.08.2025

*Waseem Ansari*

(MANISHA BATRA)  
JUDGE

*Whether speaking/reasoned*

*Yes/No*

*Whether reportable*

*Yes/No*