

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

2025:PHHC:146521



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CRM-M-26670-2025 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 27.10.2025.

Kamaljeet Singh @ Pargat

...Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent.

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SUKHVINDER KAUR

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Present: Mr. Shivam Malik, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Adesh Pal Singh, AAG, Punjab.

SUKHVINDER KAUR, J. (Oral)

Present petition has been filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in FIR No.115 dated 14.06.2024 under Sections 22 and 29 of NDPS Act, registered at Police Station City Kotkapura, District Faridkot.

Shorn of unnecessary details, the case of the prosecution in brief is that on 14.06.2024, police party headed by ASI Sukhdev Singh along with other police officials, apprehended accused Patrass Maseeh @ Nishu and Kamaljeet Singh @ Pargat Singh and recovered 21 strips of Etizolam Tablets 0.5 mg, each strip containing 10 tablets, total 210 tablets from their possession, without any valid permit or license. During interrogation, aforesaid accused disclosed that they have brought these tablets from Satnam Singh @ Khabbu and thereafter on the basis of the their statement accused Satnam Singh @ Khabbu was nominated in the present case. Accordingly, the FIR in question was registered against both the accused after completing all the formalities.

Learned counsel for petitioner has contended that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. The alleged recovery in the present case had already been effected and the petitioner is in custody since 14.06.2024. The conclusion of trial of the case will take considerable time. No useful purpose would be served by detaining the petitioner in further custody. Learned counsel, therefore, prays that the petitioner be granted concession of regular bail.

On the other hand, learned State counsel opposed the present petition and submitted that the petitioner was found in possession of commercial quantity of intoxicant tablets and as such, does not deserve any leniency from the Court.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties and have also gone through the case file.

As per the allegations, 21 strips of Etizolam Tablets 0.5 mg, each strip containing 10 tablets, total 210 tablets, the average weight of the tablet is 133 mg/tablet and the total weight of the recovered tablets comes to 27.9 grams were recovered from the petitioner, which falls within 'commercial quantity'. Thus, the alleged recovery of contraband effected from the petitioner falls within the 'commercial quantity' which attracts the rigors of Section 37 of the NDPS Act. As per the antecedents mentioned in the status report, the petitioner has already been declared proclaimed offender in two cases and three other cases are also pending against him.

Accordingly, without having any bearing or expression of opinion on the merits of the case, the present petition is dismissed.

Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(SUKHVINDER KAUR)
JUDGE

27.10.2025.

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