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

CRM-M-26339-2025

Date of Decision:14.05.2025

SATNAM SINGH

...PETITIONER

VS.

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

Coram : Hon'ble Mr. Justice N.S.Shekhawat

Present : Mr. Karanjeet Singh Brar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. M.S. Bajwa, DAG, Punjab.

N.S.Shekhawat J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner has filed the present petition under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 with a prayer to grant regular bail to him in case FIR No.53 dated 29.04.2025, registered under Sections 15 of NDPS Act, 1985, Police Station Banur, District Patiala.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the police had allegedly recovered 8 kg. of poppy husk from the petitioner, which falls within the ambit of "non-commercial quantity" and the bar contained in Section 37 of the NDPS Act may not be attracted in the present case. The petitioner was arrested in the present case on 29.04.2025 and is in custody since then. He further contends that the petitioner is not required in any other criminal case.



3. On the other hand, learned State counsel has vehemently opposed the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner on the ground that serious allegations have been levelled against the present petitioner and he does not deserve the concession of bail by this Court.

4. I have heard the learned counsel for the parties and perused the record carefully.

5. The petitioner was arrested in the present case on 29.04.2025 and is in custody since then. Moreover, the quantity recovered from the present petitioner does not fall within the ambit of commercial quantity. Thus, the further custody of the petitioner will not serve any useful purpose.

6. Without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate/Chief Judicial Magistrate, concerned.

7. All other pending applications, if any, are also disposed off, accordingly.

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(N.S. SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

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