

2025:PHHC:111975



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

CRM-M-57872-2024

Date of decision : 22.08.2025

Pardeep Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE

Present: Mr. Jashandeep Singh Sandhu, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Salil Sabhlok, Senior DAG, Punjab.

SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE (Oral)

1. The petitioner, who is in custody since 18.03.2024 and is alleged with recovery of 3200 tablets of Tramadol (commercial quantity), has filed this petition for grant of regular bail in FIR No. 23 dated 18.03.2024, under Section 25 (c) (Sections 27 & 29 added later on) of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short 'the NDPS Act').

2. Custody certificate, filed on behalf of the State, is taken on record.

3. Learned counsel for the rival parties do not dispute that 07 out of 19 enlisted prosecution witnesses have been examined and one has been give up, leaving 11 more witnesses to be examined.

4. From the prosecution story, it appears that *prima facie* the offence, as alleged, appears to be made out and therefore, Section 37 of the NDPS Act comes in the way of the petitioner, though the petitioner has no antecedents, but considering the gravity of the offence, the present petition, for the time being, stands dismissed. With liberty to the petitioner to re-visit the Court in case the trial is further delayed, the petition stands dismissed.

**(SHEEL NAGU)
CHIEF JUSTICE**

August 22, 2025
Ajay Prasher

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