



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-62115-2024(O&M)
Date of Decision: 05.03.2025

RAMESH
STATE OF HARYANA

VERSUS

....Petitioner
....Respondent

CORAM : HON’BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present : Mr. Deepak Kumar, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Apoorv Garg, Sr. DAG, Haryana.

MANISHA BATRA, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking anticipatory bail in FIR mentioned below:-

FIR No.	Dated	Police Station	Sections
0444	29.09.2024	City Fatehabad, District Fatehabad	21(b) and 27-A of NDPS Act (31 of NDPS added later on)

2. Vide order dated 11.12.2024 passed by this Court, the petitioner was ordered to be released on interim bail and was directed to join investigation.
3. Learned State counsel has filed status report along with some annexures dated 28.01.2025. The same is taken on record and be tagged at the appropriate place. Learned State counsel has also submitted in his reply that offence under Section 31 of Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short ‘NDPS’) has been added during investigation. He has



further submitted that the petitioner has joined the investigation on 22.12.2024. His further custodial interrogation is not required.

4. Accordingly, offence under Section 31 of NDPS Act is ordered to be added in the head note as well as prayer clause of the petition.

5. In the considered opinion of this Court in the given circumstances, the pretrial incarceration of the petitioner is not required. As such, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 11.12.2024 granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute, subject to compliance of usual terms and conditions requisite for grant of anticipatory bail.

6. It is also made clear that any observation made herein shall not be treated as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

05.03.2025

Deepak Patwal

(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE

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| 1. | <i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i> | <i>Yes/No</i> |
| 2. | <i>Whether reportable</i> | <i>Yes/No</i> |