



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

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Date of decision: 03.02.2026

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.....Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. Amit Choudhary, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Priyavrat Parashar, A.A.G., Haryana.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. This petition has been filed by the petitioner under Section 439 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 seeking regular bail in case FIR No.21 dated 05.02.2021 registered under Section 20 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 at Police Station Sadar Bahadurgarh, District Jhajjar.

2. Brief facts of the case are that on the basis of secret information, the petitioner along with two other persons, was apprehended by the police, while he was allegedly found carrying 300 kgs. of ganja in two sacks (plastic, colour white), in the XUV car bearing registration No.DL-10CT-1531.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in the present case. The petitioner is in custody since 06.02.2021. There are total 05 accused and other 04 accused are already on regular bail. He further submits that the petitioner was also granted interim bail by Coordinate

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Bench of this Court, vide order dated 22.11.2023 and the petitioner has not misused the concession of interim bail and is regularly appearing before the Trial Court. He further submits that out of total 23 prosecution witnesses, only 05 have been examined so far and the trial is likely to take a considerable time to conclude.

4. Per contra, learned State counsel, has vehemently opposed the instant petition. He submits that apart from the present FIR, the petitioner is involved in 03 more cases i.e. FIR No.152 dated 27.07.2019 registered under Sections 341, 285, 34 & 506 of IPC and Section 25 & 27 of the Arms Act, 1959 at Police Station Sadar Bahadurgarh, District Jhajjar; FIR No.157 dated 17.06.2020 registered under Section 25 of the Arms Act, 1959 at Police Station Sadar Bahadurgarh, District Jhajjar and FIR No.79 dated 31.03.2024 registered under Sections 25(1)(1B)(A) of the Arms Act, 1959 at Police Station Sadar Jhajjar, District Jhajjar, however, he is on bail in the said cases.

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

6. Keeping in view the custody period of the petitioner which is 02 years, 09 months and 18 days and the facts that investigation in the present case is complete; challan has been presented; charges have been framed; out of total 23 prosecution witnesses only 05 have been examined so far; trial may take a considerable time to conclude and 04 other co-accused are already on regular bail, interim bail granted to the petitioner vide order dated 22.11.2023 is confirmed.



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7. The petition stands disposed of accordingly.

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(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No