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

CRM-M-22696-2025

Date of decision : 02.05.2025

**Kamal Singh****.....Petitioner****versus****State of Punjab and others****.....Respondents****CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ**

Present :- Mr. Puneet Bali, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Tarun Aggarwal, Addl.A.G., Punjab.

**RAJESH BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)**

1. Prayer in the present petition has been made for grant of interim bail to the petitioner for a period of two weeks on account of marriage of his adopted daughter, ceremonies of which are scheduled to start from 06.05.2025.

2. The petitioner is accused in case FIR No.0071 dated 26.06.2024 under Section 18/27/27(A)/29/61/85 of NDPS Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Khuian Sarwar, District Fazilka. The petitioner earlier also approached this Court by way of filing of CRM-M-19631-2025 for the same relief, wherein it was alleged that the marriage of his daughter was scheduled for 20/22.04.2025 and that petition was taken up during the vacations by the Vacation Bench. The Coordinate Bench granted interim bail to the petitioner commencing from 16.04.2025 on his furnishing the requisite bail.surety bonds to the satisfaction of CJM/Duty Magistrate concerned. It was also ordered that the petitioner would be accompanied by two police officials, one of whom would be of the rank of Assistant Sub-Inspector (ASI) and the other a Head Constable



and these officials would remain with the petitioner during relevant period and the expenses for their journey would be borne by the petitioner.

3. Now the petitioner has filed the present petition, wherein it has been alleged that the marriage of daughter of the petitioner is re-scheduled for 06/07.05.2025 and he prayed for granting him interim bail for a period of two weeks to attend the marriage ceremonies of his daughter.

4. This Court while issuing notice of motion in the present petition, directed the respondent-State to verify the factum of marriage of the daughter of the petitioner.

5. Today, learned State counsel has filed a report by way of an affidavit of Mr. Sukhwinder Singh Brar, PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Abohar, District Fazilka, wherein it has been stated that the petitioner is involved in heinous crime involving huge recovery of 66 kgs of opium and there are every chances of his being absconding from the custody and as such he is not entitled to be released on interim bail. Learned State counsel has also stated that the factum regarding marriage of daughter of the petitioner could not be verified due to shortage of time. He has further stated that in case the petitioner is allowed to attend the marriage of his daughter as prayed for by him, the State would like to send 11 Police officials along with him in order to dispel the apprehension of the petitioner being absconding from the custody.

7. Heard. As is clear from the order dated 11.04.2025, the petitioner was granted interim bail for a period of 10 days starting from 16.04.2025 by the Coordinate Bench of this Court. As has been stated by learned counsel for the petitioner, marriage of daughter of the petitioner has been re-scheduled to 6/7.05.2025, where the presence of petitioner is



essential. So, keeping in view of facts and circumstances in totality, the present petition is disposed of with direction that the petitioner will be taken in police custody to his native place where the marriage of his daughter is scheduled on 03.05.2025 by road, enabling him to attend the marriage of his daughter which is scheduled for 06/07.05.2025 and he will be brought back and lodged in the jail by 11.05.2025. So far as contention of learned State counsel, for allowing 11 police officials to accompany the petitioner to his native place, is concerned, the State is free to assess the situation and deploy as many as police officials as it deems appropriate, keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case. However, the petitioner is directed to handover his passport to Incharge of the Police Team accompanying him, immediately, on reaching his native place.

8. A copy of this order be given to the learned State counsel under the signature of Bench Secretary of this Court.

02.05.2025

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( RAJESH BHARDWAJ )  
JUDGE

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