

Rahul Verma vs. State of HP

**CrMP(M) No. 2052 of 2025
Reserved on : 22.08.2025**

28.08.2025 Present: Mr. Rajiv Jiwan, Senior Advocate, with M/s Nitin Soni, Yug Singhal and Anayana Sharma, Advocates, for the petitioner.

Mr. Jitender Sharma, Additional Advocate General, for the respondent/ State.

The petitioner has filed the present petition seeking pre-arrest bail in FIR No. 107/2025, dated 14.08.2024, registered at Police Station Sadar Shimla, District Shimla, H.P., for the commission of offences punishable under Sections 21 & 29 of the Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act (“in short NDPS Act”), 1985.

As per the averments made in the petition he was named by the co-accused. This Court held in *Rajesh Kumar vs. State of H.P., Cr.MP(M) No. 458 of 2025, decided on 25.3.2025*, that the pre-arrest bail can be denied to a person named by the co-accused to enable the police to interrogate the petitioner. An SLP No. 55547 of 2025 titled *Rajesh Kumar Vs. State of H.P.* against this order was withdrawn on 21.4.2025. It was held by this Court in *Jatinder Pal Singh vs. State of*

HP 2025:HHC:20446 that a person named by the co-accused is not entitled to pre-arrest bail. This order was upheld by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***Jatinder Pal Singh vs. State of HP Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No. 9629/2025 decided on 10.07.2025.***

Therefore, at this stage, no case for grant of ad-interim bail is made out. Let, status report be filed by respondent/ State on or before 29.08.2025.

(Rakesh Kainthla)
Judge

28th August, 2025
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