

CRM-M No. 15060 of 2016

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

CRM-M No. 15060 of 2016
Date of decision : August 11, 2016

Sanjay Kumar

..... Petitioner

v.

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. Sushil Jain, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Satish Saini, DAG Haryana

Ajay Tewari, J (Oral)

The petitioner seeks grant of regular bail in case FIR No.350, dated 19.08.2015, registered under Section 15 of the NDPS Act, at Police Station Murthal, District Sonapat.

Counsel for the petitioner has argued that apart from the merits of the case, the petitioner has now been in custody for about one year; the trial is not likely to be concluded in the near future and,

therefore, should be released on bail.

Learned DAG Haryana states that keeping in view the nature of the offence, instead of releasing the petitioner on bail, it would be appropriate to put a time cap on the trial since 15 witnesses who are all official witnesses remain to be examined. He has stated that the prosecution will lead its entire evidence on or before 16.12.2016 subject to the accused not obstructing the same.

Keeping in view the statement of counsel for the respondent, I dismiss this petition at this stage but direct the trial Court to release the petitioner on bail in case the prosecution fails to conclude the evidence on or before 16.12.2016 subject to the accused not obstructing the same.

August 11, 2016
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(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No