

CRM-M-16985-2016

Date of Decision : 20.05.2016

Daljit Singh

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.M.S. BEDI**Present:** Mr. Amandeep Singh Nirman, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Jashanpreet Singh, AAG, Punjab.

M.M.S. BEDI, JUDGE (ORAL)

Though the allegation against the petitioner is very serious of having escaped from the custody of the police officials by administering stupefying drug to the police officials, carrying him from Hoshiarpur to Patiala, after the date of hearing in a criminal case but at the same time, the fact cannot be ignored that the petitioner has been in custody with effect from 13.12.2011, that is, for a period of approximately more than 4 ½ years when only two, out of total seven witnesses have been examined. All the witnesses appeared to be official witnesses.

The casual approach of the prosecution agency appears to be on account of the fact that petitioner was already in custody in other cases as undertrial or as a convict.

Be that as it may, taking into consideration the slow pace of the trial and the probability of tampering with the evidence being

remote, all the prosecution witnesses being official witnesses, the petitioner can be granted the concession of bail.

Petition is allowed. Petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail bonds with two sound sureties to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE

20.05.2016
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