

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

(212)

CRM-M-23775-2016

Decided on: July 22, 2016.

Raju

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.M.S. BEDI

Present: Mr. Rishu Mahajan, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Ms. Simsi Dhir Malhotra, DAG, Punjab.

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

The petitioner had been granted bail twice i.e on 04.07.2011 and again on 02.04.2013 but he absented again on 07.10.2013 as a result of which he was declared proclaimed offender on 11.12.2013. Thereafter, the petitioner has been in custody w.e.f. 01.06.2015. He being in custody for the last more than one year, one witness i.e. DSP Ranbir Singh has only been examined.

Taking into consideration the snail's pace at which the trial is proceeding and the period of detention suffered after his arrest, the petitioner can be granted the concession of bail.

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

**(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE**

July 22, 2016
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