

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

(208)

CRM-M-24591-2016

Decided on: July 28, 2016.

Sanjeev @ Kala

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

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

Present: Mr. Saurabh Dalal, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. C.S. Bakhshi, Addl. A.G., Haryana.

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

Petitioner, while facing trial with his co-accused in a murder case, had been granted concession of bail on 20.09.2014. He absented on 06.01.2015 and did not bother to appear as a result of which he was declared proclaimed offender.

The petitioner has been in custody w.e.f. 27.01.2016. He seeks concession of regular bail.

Application for bail has been opposed inter alia on the ground that the petitioner has been involved in a dozen of criminal cases which seem to be relating to years of 2004 to 2012.

It has been informed that co-accused of the petitioner is in custody and the next date of hearing before the trial Court is 22.08.2016 for recording the statement of remaining five prosecution witnesses.

In the interest of justice, while striking a balance between the right of the prosecution to try the petitioner by securing his presence and the right of personal liberty of the petitioner under the Constitution of India and in view of final stage of the trial and the petitioner having not sound antecedents, application for bail is disposed of with a direction that the trial will be concluded within a period of two months after the next date of hearing which is stated to 22.08.2016. In case, for any reason, all the prosecution witnesses are not examined by said date, it will be open to the trial Court to release the petitioner on bail on his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to its satisfaction.

(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No