

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

CRM-M No. 26101 of 2016
Date of decision : September 05, 2016

Suresh Kumar @ Bablu

..... Petitioner

v.

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. SS Sahu , Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Satish Saini, DAG Haryana

Ajay Tewari, J (Oral)

The petitioner seeks grant of regular bail in case FIR No.164, dated 1.07.2015, registered under Section 21-C/22-C/61/85 of the NDPS Act, at Police Station Kalanwali, District Sirsa.

Counsel for the petitioner has argued that apart from the merits of the case, the petitioner has now been in custody since 1.7.2015 and no other case is pending against him and, therefore, should be released on bail.

Counsel for the respondent, on instructions from ASI Bharat Singh, 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 13 witnesses who all are official witnesses remain to be examined. He has stated that the prosecution will lead its entire evidence on or before 23.12.2016 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 23.12.2016 subject to the accused not obstructing the same.

September 05, 2016
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(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No