

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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Criminal Misc. No.M-29878 of 2016

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Date of decision:19.10.2016

Ranjit Singh

...Petitioner

v.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

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**Coram: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Inderjit Singh**

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Present: Mr. Mohit Jaggi, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Shivali, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab for the  
respondent-State.

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**Inderjit Singh, J.**

The petitioner has filed this petition under Section 439 Cr.P.C.  
for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.234 dated 30.5.2014 (Annexure-P.1)  
registered for the offence under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and  
Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Act') at  
Police Station Sadar, Nakodar, District Jalandhar.

Notice of motion has been issued in this case.

Ms. Shivali, learned Assistant Advocate General, Punjab has  
put in appearance on behalf of the respondent-State and contested this  
petition.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as  
learned Assistant Advocate General, Punjab appearing for the respondent-

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State and have gone through the record.

From the record, I find that Ranjit Singh was granted bail earlier under Section 167(2) Cr.P.C., but he absented himself to appear before the trial Court on 28.9.2015. He again surrendered before the trial Court and he has been in custody since 5.7.2016. The trial of the case will take long time. No useful purpose will be served by keeping the petitioner in custody till the final disposal of the case. For his absence, he has already suffered a lot by remaining in custody since 5.7.2016.

Therefore, keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case; this criminal miscellaneous petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail by the learned trial Court to its satisfaction

October 19, 2016.

**(Inderjit Singh)**  
**Judge**

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| <b>NOTE:</b> | Whether speaking/reasoned: | Yes |
|              | Whether reportable:        | No  |