

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

(220)

CRM-M-3986-2016

Decided on: February 09, 2016.

Lakhvir Singh

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

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

Present: Mr. L.S. Sidhu, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Jashan Preet Singh, AAG, Punjab.

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

In a case of theft, the petitioner was absented on 01.06.2010 and was declared proclaimed offender on 21.01.2011.

The conduct of the petitioner does not warrant any indulgence by this Court but in view of the fact that co-accused of the petitioner involved in the case have already been acquitted and the petitioner has been in custody w.e.f. 04.10.2015, he can be shown indulgence. Period of detention suffered by the petitioner, of four months, in my opinion, would be sufficient enough to deter him from absenting himself again.

It appears that after the arrest of the petitioner, neither any proceedings have continued against him nor supplementary challan has been presented till date.

Without expression of any opinion regarding the reasons of non-appearance of the petitioner before the trial Court, he can be granted concession of bail, taking into consideration the period of detention already suffered by him after having been arrested in this case.

Petition is allowed. Petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE

February 09, 2016
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