

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

CRM-M No.4209 of 2016 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 26.02.2016

Gurpreet Singh @ Chhotu

..... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. Amandeep Singh Manaise, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Manjari Nehru Kaul, Additional Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent/State assisted by HC Paramjeet Singh.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Present 2nd petition is for grant of regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C. to the petitioner-Gurpreet Singh @ Chhotu in case FIR No.189 dated 05.12.2014 for the offence punishable under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, registered with Police Station Mukerian, District Hoshiarpur(**Annexure P-1**).

As per the allegations, petitioner-Gurpreet Singh @ Chhotu and his co-accused Sajjan Kumar @ Gopi were apprehended at the spot and recovery of 200 grams of *Intoxicating Powder*, containing *Diphenoxylate Hydrochloride*, was made from the possession of the petitioner, which quantity concededly is commercial in nature.

The petitioner/accused is stated to be in custody since 05.12.2014 and not involved in any other case.

Learned Counsel for the petitioner prays for permission to withdraw the present petition, however, urges for early conclusion of the trial in the light of the custody period.

Learned State Counsel, assisted by HC Paramjeet Singh, submits that 02 out of 09 prosecution witnesses have since been examined and the next date fixed is 22.03.2016.

In the light of the request, the present petition is dismissed as withdrawn, however, learned trial Court is directed to ensure the completion of the trial within three months from the next date of hearing.

February 26, 2016

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**(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE**