

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-11422-2017

Date of decision: July 19, 2017.

Harbhajan Singh @ Bunty

... **Petitioner**

v.

State of Punjab

... **Respondent**

CORAM: **HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.B. CHAUDHARI**

Present: Shri Kunal Vinayak, Advocate for the petitioner(s).

Ms. Samina Dhir, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

A.B. Chaudhari, J. (Oral):

Rule. Heard forthwith.

In FIR No.24 dated 2.2.2016, under Sections 21/61/85 of the Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Chherretta, Amritsar City, the petitioner was granted regular bail and was on bail during trial. When the trial started, the petitioner remained absent on 24.1.2017. The reason furnished by him is that he was suffering from viral fever. The trial court cancelled the bail bonds and issued non bailable warrants and also refused to grant anticipatory bail.

In my opinion, since the petitioner was already on regular bail and since the Learned Counsel for the petitioner, on instructions, makes a statement that hereinafter the petitioner would promptly appear before the trial court and will not absent and to be at liberty during trial, I think without finding any fault with the trial court order, the petitioner should be given a chance to be at liberty during trial. In that view of the matter, the

following order is passed:-

ORDER

- (i)CRM-M-11422-2017 is allowed;
- (ii) the petitioner is directed to furnish fresh bail bonds to the satisfaction of the trial.

July 19, 2017.
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[**A.B. Chaudhari**]
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No