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

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**CRM-M-26509-2017  
Date of Decision: 25.07.2017**

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Jaspinder Singh @ Honey

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA**

Present: Mr. D.R. Punia, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

**SUDIP AHLUWALIA J. (ORAL)**

The petitioner was challaned with some other accused persons for the offences under Sections 452, 380, 427, 148 & 149 of the IPC arising out of FIR No.189 dated 14.10.2010 of Police Station Raikot, District Ludhiana. He absented himself from the proceedings on account of which processes to compel his appearance, were issued but he could not be apprehended. On an answer to the Court's query, Ld. counsel for the petitioner candidly submits that the petitioner was addicted to intoxicants over a long period of time and, therefore, was altogether unaware of the stage of proceedings pending against him. At any rate, trial against rest of the charge-sheeted accused persons was commenced, but all of them were ultimately acquitted vide judgment dated 05.05.2017 (Annexure P-1) of the trial Court on the ground that the prosecution had been unable to lead any evidence whatsoever from its side, in spite of several opportunities.

In this backdrop of the matter, it is doubtful whether anything fruitful would come out *qua* the present petitioner. He is, therefore, granted

an opportunity to surrender himself before the trial Court within fortnight from the date after which his prayer for bail may be considered by the Court considering the overall background. The impugned order declaring him as a Proclaimed Offender on 20.05.2016 (Annexure P-2) is, accordingly, quashed.

Disposed of.

**25.07.2017**

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)  
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes
2. Whether reportable: No