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

**CRM-M No.39607 of 2017
Date of Decision: 01.12.2017**

Karnail Chand

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Divjyot S.Sandhu, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

In this petition, the petitioner prays for grant of anticipatory bail in F.I.R. No.266, dated 16.09.2017, under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, and Section 13 of the Punjab Gambling Act, registered at Police Station Kotwali, District Kapurthala.

2. It transpires that some other accused persons were arrested from the house of the petitioner with contraband, which was well below the commercial quantity. No recovery at all was made from the petitioner nor he was arrested from the spot.

3. The petitioner is stated to be an old man of 74 years and the other apprehended accused persons have already been released on bail.

4. In the given circumstances, the petition is allowed. The petitioner shall be released on anticipatory bail by the Arresting/Investigating Officer subject to the following conditions:-

1. That he shall make himself available for interrogation by a Police Officer as and when required;
2. That he shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade them from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any Police Officer and;
3. That he shall not leave India without prior permission of the Court.

01.12.2017

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(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE

1. Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes/ No

2. Whether reportable : Yes/ No