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

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Date of Decision: 21.12.2017

Harjit Singh @ Jeetu

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Kushagra Mahajan, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ayush Sarna, AAG, Punjab

INDERJIT SINGH, J.

Petitioner-Harjit Singh @ Jeetu has filed this petition under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.69 dated 12.05.2012, registered at Police Station Lopoke, District Amrtisar Rural, under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.

Notice of motion has been issued. Learned State counsel has appeared and contested the instant petition.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel and gone through the record.

Admittedly, recovery effected in the present case falls in non-commercial quantity. Vide order dated 09.05.2017 passed by

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learned Additional Sessions Judge, Amritsar, bail application of the petitioner has been dismissed on the ground that earlier, he absented from the court proceedings and was ultimately declared proclaimed offender.

The petitioner has been in custody since 06.12.2016 i.e. for the last more than one year. He is not required for any investigation or interrogation purposes as he is in judicial custody. The trial of the case will take long time. No useful purpose will be served by keeping the petitioner in custody till the final disposal of the case.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case; without discussing the facts in minute detail and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this criminal miscellaneous petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing personal bonds in the sum of ₹50,000/- with one surety in the like amount to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

21.12.2017

parveen kumar

**(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes
Whether reportable	:	No