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

CRM-M-47679 of 2017

Date of decision: December 14, 2017

Mandeep Singh Mannu

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

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

Present: Mr. Akshay Sandhir, Advocate the petitioner.

A.B. CHAUDHARI, J (Oral)

Notice of motion.

At the asking of the Court, Mr. Ramandeep Sandhu, Sr.

DAG Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State.

Rule. Heard forthwith.

Petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in FIR No.89 dated 29.03.2017, under Sections 379-B/411 of Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station Sadar Amritsar.

Admittedly, the petitioner was released on regular bail by the trial Court after the challan was filed. However, he remained absent when the case was repeatedly called out on 18.08.2017 and as such, the trial Court issued non-bailable warrants on the same day. In the matter of fact, on that date, both Pws, namely Amarjit Kaur and Amarjit Singh were present in the Court as such, they were required to be called to go back. The case relates to the snatching of purse and a mobile. However, I find that no useful purpose would be served in

pushing the petitioner in jail till the entire trial is completed. But then, it cannot be forgotten that incident is serious in first place and second, two witnesses were present in the Court.

In that view of the matter, following order is passed:-

ORDER

- (i) Petitioner shall be released on bail upon furnishing fresh solvent security to the satisfaction of the learned trial Judge;
- (ii) Petitioner shall attend the trial Court with promptitude;
- (iii) Police shall provide witness protection to the complainant and the other witness;
- (iv) Petitioner shall attend the police station concerned between 10:00 A.M. to 05:00 P.M. on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday every week, till the trial is completed;
- (v) Petitioner shall deposit non-refundable costs in the sum of ₹2,000/- with the trial Court payable to the State of Punjab;
- (vi) Disposed of.

(A.B. CHAUDHARI)
JUDGE

December 14, 2017

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Whether speaking/ reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No