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

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Date of Decision: 28.03.2017

Sukhbir Singh @ Sajan

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Gursimranjit Singh, Advocate for
Mr. A.P.S.Sandhu, Advocate for
the petitioner.

Mr. V.P.S.Sidhu, AAG, Punjab.

INDERJIT SINGH, J.

Petitioner-Sukhbir Singh @ Sajan has filed this petition under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.218 dated 22.06.2016, registered at Police Station A-Division, District Amritsar City, under Sections 21 and 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.

Notice of motion was issued in this case. Learned State counsel has put in appearance on behalf of the respondent-State and contested this petition.

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

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From the record, I find that the petitioner absented from the court proceedings on one date i.e. 05.11.2016; his bail was cancelled and bail bonds/surety stood forfeited to the State and non-bailable warrants against him was issued.

Learned counsel states that absence of the petitioner from the court proceedings was not intentional. Otherwise also, trial of the case will take a long time and no useful purpose will be served by sending the petitioner to custody.

Keeping in view the above facts and circumstances, I find merit in this petition and the same is allowed. It is ordered that if the petitioner surrenders before the trial court within 07 days from today, the trial Court shall release him on interim bail if he was on interim bail or on regular bail if he was on regular bail to its satisfaction.

28.03.2017

parveen kumar

(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

Note:	Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes
	Whether reportable	:	No