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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.15383 of 2018
Date of Decision: 25.04.2018

Ranjit Kaur

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Anupam Bhardwaj, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, A.A.G., Punjab.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

In this petition, the petitioner seeks her release on regular bail in F.I.R. No.260, dated 26.09.2013, under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, registered at Police Station City Tarn Taran.

2. The petitioner, who is a woman, was originally granted bail but absented from the proceedings after she was arrested and detained and then again released on bail. She, thereafter absented again but has been re-arrested and is in detention since 22.12.2017.

3. It has been submitted on behalf of the petitioner that she is a psychiatric patient.

4. Admittedly, the contraband allegedly recovered from the

petitioner is below the commercial quantity and there is no record of her involvement in any other case under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.

5. Considering these aspects, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner, namely Ranjit Kaur wife of S. Lal Singh, shall now be released on regular bail, in view of the fresh spell of long detention suffered by her, subject to imposition of appropriate terms and conditions as preferred by the Ld. Trial Court.

25.04.2018

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes/ No

2. Whether reportable : Yes/ No