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

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Date of Decision: 06.08.2018

Frank and another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Gurbir Singh Sandhu, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

INDERJIT SINGH, J.

Petitioners-Frank and Chinoye have filed this petition under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.28 dated 30.05.2018, registered at Police Station STF, Phase-IV, Mohali, under Sections 21 and 29 of the NDPS Act, 1985 and Section 14 of the Foreigners Act, 1946.

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

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

From the record, I find that 200 grams of heroin from each of the petitioners was recovered. Both the petitioners are Nigerian citizens.

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Keeping in view the nature and gravity of the offence and in view of heavy quantity of heroin recovered from the present petitioners, I do not find it a fit case where the petitioners are entitled to the benefit of regular bail.

Therefore, finding no merit in the present petition, the same is dismissed.

However, as the petitioners are Nigerian citizens, trial Court is directed to expedite the trial by giving short adjournments or even by adjourning the case on day to day basis, if necessary.

06.08.2018

parveen kumar

(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes
Whether reportable	:	No