

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

CRM-M-36787-2018 (O&M)

Date of Decision:-9.10.2018

Sukhpal Singh @ Leela

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. T.S.Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J.(Oral)

The petitioner Sukhpal Singh @ Leela seeks grant of anticipatory bail in respect of a case registered against him vide FIR No.69 dated 24.8.2014 under Sections 307, 324, 323, 148, 149, 341 and 427 of Indian Penal Code, 1860 at Police Station Sadar Rampura, District Bathinda.

The petitioner had earlier been granted bail in the year 2014 but on account of his absence in the trial Court as on 24.7.2018, his bail was cancelled and warrants were issued for securing his presence.

The learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that his absence in the trial Court as on 24.7.2018 was the first instance of default on his part and that he had earlier been regularly appearing before the trial Court and that his absence as on 24.7.2018 was not intentional and was on account of the fact that the incorrect date had been noted.

On the other hand, the learned State counsel has informed that pursuant to directions issued by this Court on 27.8.2018, the petitioner had surrendered before the trial Court on 26.9.2018.

Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case bearing in mind the fact that absence of the petitioner before the trial Court as on 24.7.2018 was the first instance of default on his part, the present petition is hereby accepted and the interim directions issued by this Court vide order dated 27.8.2018 are hereby made absolute subject to the condition that the petitioner shall keep on appearing before the trial Court regularly.

The present petition stands accepted accordingly.

9.10.2018

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(Gurvinder Singh Gill)
Judge

Whether speaking /reasoned Yes / No

Whether Reportable Yes / No