

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

**CRM-M-42196-2017
Date of decision: 10.09.2018**

Balwinder Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present:- Mr. K. K. Saini, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C., is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 110 dated 28.05.2015, registered under Section 22/61/85 of the NDPS Act at Police Station Machhiwara, District Ludhiana.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from HC Harwinder Singh, submits that out of total eight prosecution witnesses, seven witnesses have been examined and the next date before the trial Court for examining the remaining witness is today itself.

Learned counsel for the petitioner restricts his argument to the extent that a direction be issued to the trial Court to conclude the trial expeditiously as the petitioner is in judicial custody since a long time.

In view of the above, without commenting anything on the merits of the case, this petition is disposed of with a direction to the trial Court to conclude the trial expeditiously, preferably within a period of four months from today.

September 10, 2018

Waseem Ansari

**(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE**

*Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable*

*Yes/No
Yes/No*