

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-48534 of 2018

DECIDED ON: November 02, 2018

DEV KARAN

..PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAMENDRA JAIN

Present: Mr. Gurvinder Singh Dhillon, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

RAMENDRA JAIN, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the instant petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C. read with Section 438 Cr.P.C. for releasing the petitioner on anticipatory bail as non-bailable warrants have been issued by the Additional Sessions Judge, Ludhiana.

After conviction of the petitioner by the Juvenile Justice Board, Ludhiana for two years under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, the petitioner filed appeal but did not come present before the appellate court. Consequently, he was ordered to be summoned through non-bailable warrants vide order dated 15.10.2018.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that Juvenile Justice Board has granted interim bail to the petitioner till filing of appeal, therefore, there was no reason for the petitioner to not to

appear, before the appellate court at the time of hearing of his appeal. Absence of the petitioner is not intentional or deliberate. He did not come present, due to some communication gap between him and his counsel.

In view of the totality of facts and circumstance, but without commenting on the merits of the case, petitioner is directed to surrender before the trial court within two weeks and his bail application shall be decided within next seven days.

The order shall have no bearing on the merits of the main case.

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**(RAMENDRA JAIN)
JUDGE**

**Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable**

**Yes/No
Yes/No**