

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

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**CRM-M No.891 of 2019.
Date of Decision: 01.05.2019.**

Neeraj Mangal

....Petitioner.

Versus

State of U.T., Chandigarh

....Respondent.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEKHER DHAWAN

Present: Mr. V.B. Aggarwal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajiv Vij, Additional Public Prosecutor, U.T., Chandigarh.

Shekher Dhawan, J.

Fresh Power of Attorney filed on behalf of the petitioner is taken on record.

Present petition under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case F.I.R. No.306 dated 01.09.2018 under Section 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short, 'N.D.P.S. Act'), registered at Police Station South Sector-34, U.T., Chanidgarh.

Reply filed on behalf of the respondent-U.T., in Court today, is taken on record.

As per reply, the petitioner is involved in two more cases bearing F.I.R. No.125 dated 26.04.2017 under Section 21 of the N.D.P.S. Act, registered at Police Station South Sector-34, Chandigarh and F.I.R.

No.78 dated 26.02.2018 under Section 21 of the N.D.P.S. Act and he is regularly in conflict with law and, as such, he is not entitled to be released on bail.

Having considered the submissions made by learned counsel for both the parties and the fact that the petitioner is regularly in conflict with law, no case is made out for release of the petitioner on bail. Accordingly, the present petition is dismissed.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner contended that some direction be given to learned trial Judge to conclude the trial within a specified time frame as the petitioner is in custody since 01.09.2018.

In view of the above, learned trial Judge is directed to expedite the trial and make efforts to conclude the same within a period of six months from today.

(SHEKHER DHAWAN)
JUDGE

01.05.2019

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Whether speaking/ reasoned : Yes/ No

Whether Reportable : Yes/ No