

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

**CRM-M No.5480 of 2019 (O&M)
Date of decision : 08.02.2019**

Gurmukh Singh @ Lugi

..... Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. Himanshu Puri, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms.Amarjit Kaur Khurana, DAG, Punjab.

AJAY TEWARI, J. (Oral)

This petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case F.I.R. No.111 dated 18.06.2016 registered under Section 22 of NDPS Act, 1985 at Police Station City Kapurthala, District Kapurthala.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner has been in custody since 28.08.2018.

Custody certificate by way of affidavit of Kulwant Singh Sidhu, PPS, Deputy Superintendent Central Jail, Kapurthala on behalf of State has been filed and the same is taken on record.

Learned Deputy Advocate General on instructions from ASI Harjit Singh states that there are only 10 official witnesses, none has been examined and instead of releasing the petitioner on bail, it would be

appropriate to put a time cap on the trial and in case the accused does not obstruct the trial the prosecution will lead its entire evidence on or before 31.03.2019 and till such time the bail should not be granted to the petitioner.

I find this to be a fair submission. In the circumstances, in view of the undertaking given by the learned Deputy Advocate General, it is directed that in case the prosecution does not lead its entire evidence on or before 31.03.2019 (subject to the accused not obstructing the same) the petitioner be released on bail to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

Petition stands disposed of in the above terms.

Since the main case has been decided, the pending criminal miscellaneous application, if any, also stands disposed of.

08.02.2019
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(AJAY TEWARI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No