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

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Date of Decision: 21.01.2019

Raja Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

Baldev Singh and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

None for respondent No.1.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

INDERJIT SINGH, J. (Oral)

None has appeared on behalf of respondent No.1 despite service.

Petitioner-Raja Singh has filed this petition under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for grant of anticipatory bail in Criminal Appeal No.574 dated 26.07.2018, pending in the Court of learned Additional Sessions Judge, Fazilka, which has arisen out of a complaint case No.253-2/20.10.2016 for an offence under Section 138 of the N.I.Act.

Notice of motion was issued in this case. Learned State counsel has put in appearance on behalf of respondent No.2.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as

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From the record, I find that during pendency of appeal, the petitioner absented himself from the court proceedings; his bail was cancelled and warrant of arrest was issued against him.

In pursuance of the interim order dated 16.11.2018 passed by this Court, the petitioner has already appeared before the Appellate Court and has been released on interim bail.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, I find that disposal of the appeal may take a long time and no useful purpose will be served by sending the petitioner to custody. Therefore, finding merit in this petition, the same is allowed. The order dated 16.11.2018, granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute.

21.01.2019

parveen kumar

(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

Note:	Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes
	Whether reportable	:	No