

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

CRM-M-55984-2018
Date of decision: 10.01.2019

Inderjit Singh and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present:- Mr. Naveen Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

This petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of regular bail to the petitioners in case FIR No. 281 dated 12.11.2018, registered under Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 at Police Station Samrala, Police District Khanna, District Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioners are in judicial custody since 12.11.2018 and the investigation is complete and the charges have been framed.

Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that offences are triable by the Court of a Magistrate and it will take a long time in conclusion of the trial.

Learned State counsel, on the basis of the custody certificate filed in Court today, has not disputed the factual position and submitted that petitioners are involved in one more case, however, they are on bail in that

case.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Without commenting upon the merits of the case, considering the facts that petitioners are in judicial custody since 12.11.2018 and they are no more required for any custodial investigation and also in view of the fact that offences are triable by the Court of a Magistrate and it will take a long time in conclusion of the trial, the instant petition is allowed. Petitioners Inderjit Singh and Lakhbir Singh are ordered to be released on regular bail on their furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

January 10, 2019

Waseem Ansari

**(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No