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

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Date of Decision: 14.01.2020

Ravi Kumar

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. Ashish Bakshi, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)

Through the instant petition, the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in FIR No.49 dated 22.03.2018, registered at Police Station P.A.U, Ludhiana, under Sections 399 and 402 IPC and Section 411 IPC (added later on).

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that in the present case, charges were framed on 15.10.2018 and since then, the petitioner had been regularly appearing before the trial Court. However on 19.12.2019, the petitioner could not appear before the trial Court as he had wrongly noted down the next date of hearing as 03.01.2020. Resultantly, bail of the petitioner had been cancelled and warrant of arrest had been issued against him. He further submits that absence of the petitioner from the court proceedings was not intentional.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of this Court, Mr. Kirat Singh Sidhu, DAG,

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Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State. A copy of complete set of paper-book has been supplied to the learned State counsel.

I have heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned State counsel.

The petitioner is only to face the trial, which may take a long time. Therefore, no useful purpose will be served by sending him to custody and then to keep him in custody till the final disposal of the case.

Without commenting anything on the merits of the case, this petition is allowed with a direction to the petitioner to surrender before the trial Court/Duty Magistrate, within 10 days from today. On his doing so, the trial Court/Duty Magistrate shall release him on bail, subject to his furnishing bail/surety bonds to its satisfaction, and further subject to his depositing Rs.5,000/- with the District Legal Services Authority, Ludhiana. If the petitioner fails to comply with the aforesaid directions, the instant petition shall stand dismissed, automatically.

14.01.2020

parveen kumar

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

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