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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-12342-2020
Date of Decision: 17.09.2020

Baldev Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. P.S. Jammu, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Anmol Malik, DAG, Haryana.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

This is a petition for regular bail filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. on behalf of the petitioner in case FIR No.17 dated 05.02.2020, under Section 22 of the N.D.P.S. Act, registered at Police Station Rori, District Sirsa.

[2]. The petitioner was arrested on 05.05.2020. No recovery was made from him but his name transpired from the disclosure statement of the co-accused Uggarsen @ Prem Kumar, from whom, the actual contraband was recovered.

[3]. Ld. State counsel opposes the bail petition by contending that the petitioner has once been convicted of the offences under Sections 15/16 of the N.D.P.S. Act.

[4]. Petitioner's counsel *per contra* submits that the appeal against such conviction is already pending.

[5]. After completion of investigation, challan against the petitioner

has already been submitted on 15.07.2020.

[6]. In the given circumstances, without commenting any further on the merits of the case at this stage, in the light of the submission raised on behalf of the petitioner, and also on account of the fact that the trial is itself likely to take a substantial long time in view of the prevailing Covid-19 Pandemic, at this stage, the petitioner shall be released on regular bail subject to appropriate terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the Ld. Trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

[7]. Disposed off.

17.09.2020

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

2. Whether reportable: Yes/No