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

**CRM-M-13821-2020
Date of Decision: 28.07.2020**

Rahul

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

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

Mr. M. S. Nagra, AAG, Punjab.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

This is a petition for regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C. on behalf of the petitioner in case FIR No.50 dated 18.05.2018 (Anneuxre P-1), under Sections 341, 323, 324, 148, 149 and 506 of the IPC (Section 326 IPC added later on), registered at Police Station City Fattudhinga, District Kapurthala.

[2]. The petitioner was granted an interim bail by a Coordinate Bench of this Court earlier on 15.06.2020, in view of the fact that Challan against the petitioner has already been submitted after completion of investigation and trial is yet to commence.

[3]. It transpires that after passing order on 15.06.2020, the matter came up before the Ld. Trial Court on 24.06.2020 and 13.07.2020 but charges could not be framed in view of the ongoing COVID19 pandemic.

[4]. Clearly there does not appear to be any prospect of expeditious completion of trial.

[4]. In such circumstances and considering the long detention undergone by the petitioner, he is ordered to be released on regular bail subject to appropriate terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the Ld. Trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

[5]. Disposed off.

28.07.2020

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
2. Whether reportable: Yes/No