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

**CRM-M-18880-2020
Date of Decision: 04.08.2020**

Sanjay Kumar Mehta

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Satbir Singh Gill, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Anant Kataria, DAG, Haryana.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure on behalf of the petitioner, seeking regular bail in case FIR No.73 dated 02.02.2020, under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, registered at Police Station City Sirsa, District Sirsa.

[2]. The petitioner has remained in judicial custody since 05.04.2020.

[3]. It transpires that no recovery was directly effected from the petitioner and his name has been disclosed by the co-accused arrested in the case.

[4]. In such circumstances, considering the long detention undergone by the petitioner, coupled with the fact that the trial is likely to take its own considerable time to conclude due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic, the

petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail, subject to the appropriate terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the Ld. Trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

[5]. Disposed off.

04.08.2020

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

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