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

**CRM-M- 41303-2019
Date of Decision: 10.11.2020**

Amandeep Sharma @ Don @ Aman

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Veneet Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. P.S. Walia, A.A.G., Punjab.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

The present petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Cr.P.C. by the petitioner, seeking regular bail in case FIR No.33 dated 24.02.2019, under Section 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, registered at Police Station Chheharta, Amritsar City, District Amritsar.

2. Seen Custody Certificate of the petitioner, from which it transpires that he has remained in detention for more than one year and eight months, since 27.02.2019. There is no record of his involvement in any other case under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.

3. Charges were framed in the year 2019 itself, but thereafter no evidence from the prosecution side has still commenced. The next date fixed in the Ld. Trial Court happens to be 19.12.2020.

4. As such, without commenting any further on the merits of the present case as a whole and in view of the detention undergone by the petitioner, as also the fact that the trial is likely to take its own substantial time, particularly on account of the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, the prayer of the petitioner for regular bail is allowed and he is ordered to be released on bail, subject to appropriate terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the Ld. Trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

5. Disposed off.

10.11.2020

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

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