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

**CRM-M-43118-2019
Date of Decision: 29.09.2020**

Sunil Kumar @ Ghuggi

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. L.S. Sekhon, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramandeep Sandhu, Senior DAG, Punjab, assisted by
ASI Jagtar Singh.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

The present petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure by the petitioner, seeking regular bail in case FIR No.124 dated 21.07.2019, under Sections 21 and 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, registered at Police Station City Samana, District Patiala.

2. Seen the Custody Certificate of the petitioner, sent up by Ld. State Counsel, through e-mail, according to which, the petitioner has remained in detention for a period of one year, two months and six days, by now.

3. After completion of investigation, challan against the petitioner had been submitted long ago and even the charges were framed on 05.12.2019.

However, as yet, no witness from the prosecution side has been examined,

apparently on account of outbreak of Covid-19 Pandemic in the interregnum.

As such, there appears to be a little possibility of expeditious completion of trial. The petitioner is also reported to be not involved in any other case.

4. In these circumstances, without commenting any further on the merits of the present case as a whole and in view of the detention undergone by the petitioner, the prayer of the petitioner for regular bail is allowed and 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.

29.09.2020

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

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