

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

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CRM-M-25922 of 2021  
Date of Decision: 16.07.2021

Sandeep Kumar

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

**CORAM:HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU**

Present: Mr. Ajay Saini, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Sarabjeet Singh, AAG, Punjab.

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**HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.**

Present petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (Cr.P.C.) for grant of concession of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.2 dated 05.02.2020 under Sections 10, 13, 18 and 20 of Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 and Section 25 of Arms Act, 1959, registered at Police Station State Special Operation Cell, Mohali.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that after investigation in the matter a report under Section 173 Cr.P.C. has been filed against the petitioner on 13.09.2020 for offences under Section 25 of the Arms Act and Section 120-B IPC on the allegations that one 12 bore pistol and two live cartridges were recovered from him. Supplementary challan against the other accused has been filed for offence under Sections 10, 13, 18 and 20 of Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967.

The petitioner is in custody since 22.02.2020. The trial is

unlikely to conclude in near future more so in the wake of outbreak of pandemic COVID. No useful purpose will be served by keeping the petitioner in custody till the final disposal of the case.

Accordingly, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, this criminal miscellaneous petition is allowed and the petitioner-Sandeep Kumar is ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate, Chief Judicial Magistrate, concerned.

**[HARINDER SINGH SIDHU]**  
**JUDGE**

July 16, 2021  
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| Whether speaking/reasoned | yes/no |
| Whether reportable?       | yes/no |