

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

CRM-M-35060-2020

Date of Decision: 28.10.2021

NIRMAL SINGH @ DC

..... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. P. K. Goklaney, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. B. S. Sewak, Addl. AG, 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.29 dated 23.02.2020 under Section 22 of the NDPS Act, registered at Police Station City Rampura, District Bathinda.

[2]. The petitioner, as per his custody certificate produced today by Ld. State counsel, by now has remained in custody for more than 01 year, 07 months and 29 days since 28.02.2020 and other co-accused persons namely Jashanpreet Singh @ Maghar Singh, Mohammed Shahid and Umar Saleem from whom contraband of identical quantity or in the larger quantity, have all been granted regular bail by a Coordinate Bench of this Court. Although, trial in the case is likely to take a substantial time since not even the first witness from prosecution side has so far been examined.

[3]. As such, further detention of the petitioner for an indefinite period is not justified.

[4]. In the circumstances, considering the long detention already

undergone by the petitioner, 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.

28.10.2021

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

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