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

**CRM No.20627 of 2021 in/and
CRM-M No.39255 of 2020
Date of Decision : 19.07.2021**

Resham Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present : Mr. Ashok K. Khunger, Advocate
for the Applicant/Petitioner.

Mr. B.S. Sewak, Addl. Advocate General, Punjab
for the Respondent/State.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

CRM No.20627 of 2021

For the reasons mentioned in the application, the Applicant/
Petitioner is permitted to place on record copy of the order passed in CRM-
M No.53919 of 2019 on 08.10.2020.

Application stands disposed off.

CRM-M No.39255 of 2020

The instant Petition has been filed under Section 439 of the
Code of Criminal Procedure seeking Regular Bail on behalf of the Petitioner
in case FIR No.85, dated 12.07.2019, registered under Sections 22, 29 of the
Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, at Police Station
City-II Abohar, District Fazilka.

2. The Petitioner by now has remained in detention for more than two years since 12.07.2019.

3. Co-accused Rajesh Kumar @ Raju has already been granted Regular Bail by this Court in CRM-M No.53919 of 2019 earlier on 08.10.2020.

4. The trial, in the present case, is likely to take a substantial time on account of on-going Covid-19 Pandemic since it transpires that till now even the first witness from the Prosecution side has not been examined.

5. In the circumstances, without commenting upon the other merits of the case, at this stage, this Court is of the opinion that further detention of the Petitioner for an indefinite period is not called for. As such, he is ordered to be released on bail subject to the satisfaction of the Ld. Trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

7. Disposed off.

July 19, 2021
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(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No