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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-9420-2020
Date of Decision: 01.08.2022

Suresh Kumar and another

....Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Haryana

.....Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASGURPREET SINGH PURI

Present: Mr. Pankaj Bali, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Mr. Naveen Singh Panwar, DAG, Haryana.

JASGURPREET SINGH PURI, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of regular bail to the petitioners in FIR No.31 dated 23.01.2020, under Sections 148, 149, 323, 452, 506 IPC and Section 3(i) (x) of SC & ST Act, Police Station Madhuban, Karnal.

It has been pointed out by the learned Deputy Advocate General, Haryana that the petitioners were granted interim bail due to Covid-19 pandemic which stood extended till 31.08.2021 but thereafter the petitioners had not surrendered and there is no extension of the bail after 31.08.2021 and now more than 10 months have elapsed that the petitioners are absconding and have not surrendered. He further submitted that on 19.05.2022 the learned counsel for the petitioners had stated that the petitioners will surrender before the jail authorities within a period of one

week and the matter was adjourned for today but again despite the aforesaid submission made by the learned counsel for the petitioners, they have still not surrendered.

The learned counsel for the petitioners has sought for another opportunity for surrendering before the jail authorities.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

The petitioners were on interim bail till 31.08.2021 and thereafter they did not surrender. An opportunity was granted to the petitioners on the basis of submission made by the learned counsel for the petitioners on 19.05.2022 wherein he had stated that the petitioners will surrender within a period of one week and the matter was adjourned for today. However, both the learned counsel for the petitioners as well as learned counsel for the State have submitted that the petitioners have not surrendered till date. The prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioners seeking one more opportunity cannot be granted in view of the aforesaid circumstances where more than 10 months have elapsed but the petitioners have not surrendered.

In view of the aforesaid position, the present petition is hereby dismissed.

01.08.2022

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**(JASGURPREET SINGH PURI)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No