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

**CRM-M-51636-2022 (O&M)
Date of decision: 10.11.2022**

Simranjeet Singh

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

.. Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. B.S. Kathuria, Advocate
for the petitioner.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this petition is for setting aside the order dated 03.09.2022 passed by the trial Court, vide which bail/surety bonds were forfeited to the State and non-bailable warrants were issued against the petitioner in FIR No.19 dated 08.05.2018 under Sections 21 & 29 of NDPS Act, registered at Police Station Special Task Force, Punjab, District SAS Nagar (Mohali).

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner was granted regular bail by this Court vide order dated 07.12.2018 passed in CRM-M-42139-2018 and thereafter, he was regularly appearing before the trial Court, however, on account of noting a wrong date, he absented the proceedings on 03.09.2022 and his bail/surety bonds were forfeited and non-

bailable warrants were issued and even his counsel noted a wrong date, he also could not appear before the trial Court. It is further submitted that the petitioner is ready to surrender before the trial Court and apply for fresh bail.

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Mr. Navneet Singh, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State and has not disputed the factual position.

After hearing learned counsel for the parties and considering the aforesaid factual position, this petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to appear before the trial Court within a period of 15 days from today and he will be released on bail subject to his furnishing fresh bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

This will, however, be subject to the condition that the petitioner will deposit the costs of Rs.2,000/- with the District Legal Services Authority, concerned.

[ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN]
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No