

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

CRM-M No.24854 of 2023
Date of decision: 16th May, 2023

Harpreet Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Nand Lal Sammi, Advocate for the petitioner.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner in the instant petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is praying for quashing of the orders dated 21.03.2023 and 18.04.2023 (Annexures P-3 & P-4) passed by the Court of learned Sessions Judge, SAS Nagar, Mohali, vide which his bail was cancelled and the bail/surety bonds were forfeited to the State.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner had been regularly appearing before the trial Court since 21.12.2018 and it was only on one date i.e. 21.03.2023 that he was unable to put in an appearance on account of he being busy in taking care of his father, who is a cancer patient. He submits that it was thus, for a genuine reason that the petitioner was unable to put in an appearance before the Court. At the outset, learned counsel for the

petitioner submits that the petitioner is ready to appear and surrender before the trial Court, and therefore, he be protected till then.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner and perused the relevant material on record.

In view of the limited prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petition is disposed of with direction to the petitioner to appear and surrender before the trial Court within seven days from today and move appropriate application for grant of bail. Till then, no coercive steps shall be taken against the petitioner. The trial Court, on such application being moved, shall decide it expeditiously, in accordance with the provisions of law. However, it is made clear that in case the petitioner fails to surrender before the Court below within the above stipulated time period, this order shall be of no avail to him.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

May 16, 2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No