

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

CRM-M No.29984 of 2023

Date of decision: 6th June, 2023

Surender

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Abhinav Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking setting aside of order dated 14.12.2021 (Annexure P-1) passed by the trial Court vide which his bail was cancelled and the bail/surety bonds were forfeited to the State in case bearing FIR No.0389 dated 05.07.2020 under Section 18 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 registered at Police Station Samalkha, District Panipat.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner had been regularly appearing before the trial Court and it was only on one date i.e. 14.12.2021 that he was unable to put in an appearance on account of noting down a wrong date of hearing. He submits that it was thus, for a genuine reason that the petitioner was unable to put in an appearance before the Court.

3. 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.

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

5. 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

June 6, 2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No