

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

CRM-M No.58231 of 2023

Date of order: 20th November, 2023

Navjit Singh @ Navjeet Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

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

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. Petitioner in the instant petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is praying for quashing of the order dated 26.10.2022 (Annexure P-10) passed by learned Judge, Special Court, Mansa vide which bail granted to him in case FIR No.341 dated 04.12.2019 under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 registered at Police Station Sardulgarh, District Mansa, was cancelled owing to his non-appearance in the Court.

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. 26.10.2022 that he was unable to put in an appearance. He submits that since the petitioner is working as a labourer, and thus, it was for a genuine reason that he was unable to put in an appearance before the Court. Learned counsel further submits that the petitioner is ready to appear and join proceedings before the trial Court.

3. In view of the submissions made by learned counsel representing 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. 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

November 20, 2023

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No