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S. No.212

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

CRM-M-26827 of 2024

Date of Decision:30.05.2024

Rahul Mattu @ Mattu Sahib

.....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present:- Mr. Karanjit Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

DEEPAK GUPTA, J. (Oral)

By way of present petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C., petitioner prays for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.15 dated 09.03.2018 registered under Sections 21, 29 (Act No.61 of 1985) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 at Police Station Maqboolpura, Amritsar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner was earlier allowed bail by the Court of Sessions vide order dated 18.05.2018, copy of which is Annexure P.2. Petitioner was facing trial but absented on 16.04.2022, due to which his bail was cancelled and bonds were forfeited as per order dated 16.04.2022 (Annexure P.3). Petitioner was then arrested on 14.11.2023 and ever since then he is in custody.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Sahil R. Bakshi, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent- State.



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Considering the fact that the petitioner is in custody for the last approximately nine months, the present petition is allowed. Petitioner is admitted to bail on his furnishing requisite bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court concerned, subject to the condition that the trial Court will initiate proceedings against the petitioner under Section 446 Cr.P.C and after disposal of those proceedings, shall consider the bonds.

May 30, 2024
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(DEEPAK GUPTA)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No