

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

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**CRM-M-46866-2018
DATE OF DECISION:02.04.2019**

LAKHA RAM

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Rishu Mahajan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Bhavna Gupta, DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from HC Satpal, states that one prosecution witness has been examined and the matter is now listed for examination of remaining prosecution witnesses on 9.4.2019. She also states that earlier three of the accused were declared as proclaimed offender and therefore, the trial could not proceed. Now all of them have been arrested and the trial is being conducted without any undue delay.

In view of the statement of learned State counsel, learned counsel for the petitioner contends that he does not press this petition provided the trial in this matter is expedited.

The petitioner is behind bars since 13.1.2018 and the supplementary challan had been filed on 9.2.2018 itself.

Consequently, the petition is dismissed as not pressed, however, the trial Court is directed to expedite the trial as the petitioner is in custody for over a year.

**(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE**

02.04.2019.

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