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

CRM-M-7662-2016

Date of decision:06.02.2019.

BALBIR SINGH

... Petitioner

versus

STATE OF PUNJAB & ANR

.... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

Present: Mr.Rakesh Kumar, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr.Rana Harjasdeep Singh, DAG, Punjab.

HARI PAL VERMA, J.(Oral)

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for quashing of F.I.R. No.239 dated 03.08.1997 registered under Sections 406/420/465/467/468/471/494/120-B of IPC at Police Station Sadar Jalandhar, District Jalandhar (Annexure P-1) and other consequential proceedings including the challan. Challenge has also been laid to the order dated 16.04.2007 passed by learned Additional Sessions Judge (Adhoc), Jalandhar (Annexure P-4) whereby the petitioner has been declared as Proclaimed Offender.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner states that since the FIR was registered on 03.08.1997 and pursuant to the order dated 02.03.2016 passed by this Court, petitioner has surrendered before the trial Court and admitted on bail, the trial Court may be directed to expedite the trial for the reason that the co-accused have been acquitted in the case.

Learned State counsel does not dispute the submissions made by the counsel for the petitioner.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Considering the fact that the FIR was registered on 03.08.1997 and the co-accused have been acquitted in the case, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the trial Court to expedite the trial and to conclude the same preferably within a period of nine months from today.

(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE

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