

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

CRM-M-20391-2019 (O&M)
Date of decision: 5.10.2020

SHEELO BAI

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present: Ms. Satinder Kaur, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rana Harjasdeep Singh, DAG, Punjab.

(Proceedings conducted through video conferencing).

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

1. On the oral request of learned counsel for the petitioner and keeping in view no objection raised by learned State counsel, the main case is taken on board today itself.
2. The Learned State counsel has informed that all the prosecution witnesses have already been examined and that the trial is virtually at its fag end.
3. In view of the aforesaid position, this Court does not find any ground for grant of regular bail at this stage. However, the trial Court is directed to take necessary steps as may be possible during the present times on account of spread of pandemic for expediting the trial provided that counsel for the accused extends full cooperation for the same. In case the statement of the accused is to be recorded in terms of Section 313 Cr.P.C.

or any defence witness is to be examined, the trial Court may record such statement either by physical process, if found safe and convenient subject to adherence of all the safeguards as prescribed by the Health Authorities or may explore the possibility of recording the same through video conferencing subject to the condition that defence counsel extends utmost cooperation for the same. The petition is thus disposed off with the aforesaid directions.

5.10.2020
Gaurav Sorot

(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

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