

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

CRM-M-29820-2020 (O&M)

Date of decision: 15.12.2020

Inderpal @ Pamma

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE H.S. MADAAN

Present: Mr. R.S. Sekhon, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. H.S. Sullar, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Rishabh Gupta, Advocate for the complainant.

H.S. MADAAN, J. (Oral)

Case taken up through video conferencing.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the trial is moving at a very slow pace and the petitioner shall be satisfied if a direction is issued to the Court concerned to expedite the trial. Of course, expeditious trial is right of every litigant. On account of unprecedented situation due to outbreak of COVID-19, functioning of the Courts in the region has been adversely affected, though, things are returning to normal and physical hearings are getting resumed.

Learned State counsel states that every endeavour would be made to complete the trial expeditiously. He has informed that out of 29 PWs cited, 13 PWs have been examined.

Learned counsel for the complainant states that the

complainant would cooperate in early completion of the trial.

Accordingly, the present petition is dismissed. However, a direction is issued to the trial Court to make earnest efforts to conclude the trial expeditiously by giving short adjournments, refusing to grant adjournment except for a justifiable reason. Of course, no unnecessary adjournment would be asked on behalf of the accused, if trial is to proceed expeditiously. The necessary exercise be completed preferably within a period of 06 months from the date of receipt of copy of order there.

15.12.2020

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(H.S. MADAAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No