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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.4256 of 2021 (O&M)

Date of decision: 29.01.2021

Gagandeep Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

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

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN J. (Oral)

The only prayer in this petition is to direct the trial Court to conclude the trial expeditiously in case FIR No.147 dated 13.10.2019 registered under Sections 363, 366, 376, 506 IPC and 4 of POCSO Act, 2012 at Police Station Division No.8, District Jalandhar.

Counsel for the petitioner submits that since the petitioner is in custody for the last more than 01 year and 03 months and out of 15 PWs only 13 PWs have been examined, a direction be issued to the trial Court to expedite the trial.

Counsel for the State has not disputed the factual position and submits that 13 PWs have already been examined and the case, before the trial Court, is fixed for recording the evidence of the prosecution witnesses.

Considering the fact that now the actual hearing started before the Courts below, however, due to heavy backlog, it may not be possible for the Courts below to conclude the trial expeditiously,

CASE HEARD THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCING

accordingly, this petition is disposed of with a direction to the trial Court to conclude the trial expeditiously preferably within a period of 06 months from today.

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No