

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

**CRM-M-8183-2021 (O&M)
Date of Decision:08.03.2021**

Mohammad Mukeem

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA

Present:- Mr. Himanshu Puri, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. V.G. Jauhar, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA J.(Oral)

This case has been taken up through Video Conferencing via Webex facility in the light of Pandemic Covid-19 situation and as per instructions.

This is the 4th petition preferred by the petitioner under Section 439Cr.P.C.seeking regular bail pending trial in FIR No.27 dated 09.11.2017, under Sections 21 and 29 of NDPS Act, registered at Police Station SSOC, District Amritsar.

As per prosecution version, the alleged recovery effected from the petitioner is of 500 gms. of heroin.

The same would be construed as commercial quantity.

It has gone uncontroverted that petitioner has faced incarceration since 13.11.2017.

The right of a speedy trial to the petitioner cannot be under-mined even if the allegations are with regard to recovery of

commercial quantity of contraband.

Learned State counsel informs the Court that out of 13 prosecution witnesses cited, 10 have already been examined.

In view of the above and without making any observations on merits and keeping in view the length of custody period, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the Trial Court to expedite the trial and in any case to conclude the same within a period of four months from today.

Disposed of.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

March 8, 2021

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