

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

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CRM-M-8574-2021 (O&M)

Date of decision: 23.08.2021

SUKHPAL SINGH @ CHHAIMBER

..Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr. JS Mehndiratta, Advocate for the petitioner.
Mr. Hittan Nehra, Addl. AG, Punjab.

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J (Oral)

The hearing of the case was held through video conferencing on account of restricted functioning of the Courts.

This is the second petition for grant of bail, pending trial, in a criminal case arising from FIR No.176, dated 13.12.2018, registered under Section 15 of the NDPS Act, 1985, at Police Station Jaitu, Faridkot, District Faridkot.

As per the case of the prosecution, two separate recoveries of 80 kg. and 182 kg. poppy husk were made from the truck and tractor trolley respectively. The petitioner was allegedly driving the tractor trolley.

Learned counsel representing the petitioner has very fairly stated that out of 17 prosecution witnesses proposed to be examined, deposition of 7 prosecution witnesses have already been recorded. However, he contends that the due to restricted functioning of the Court on account of outbreak of Covid-19 pandemic, the trial has come to a standstill.

The Courts have now started resuming the normal functioning.

Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, it is considered appropriate to request the learned Special Court to expedite the conclusion of trial preferably within a period of 4 months.

Disposed of.

All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, are also disposed of.

23.08.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No

(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE