

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

**CRM-M-11246-2021
Date of decision: 16.03.2021**

Sukhwinder Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present:- Mr. Amit Arora, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

This petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 192 dated 18.07.2018, registered under Section 22 of the Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 at Police Station Sadar Tarn Taran, District Tarn Taran.

At the very outset, learned State counsel submits that at one point of time, the petitioner was declared a proclaimed offender on 23.10.2019 after he was granted interim bail and thereafter the petitioner surrendered on 05.12.2019 and since then, he is in judicial custody.

Learned State counsel further submits that out of total 08 prosecution witnesses, 04 witnesses have already been examined.

Faced with this, learned counsel for the petitioner limits his prayer and submits that keeping in view the long custody of the petitioner, the trial Court may be directed to conclude the trial expeditiously.

In view of the limited prayer of learned counsel for the

petitioner, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to trial Court to conclude the trial expeditiously, preferably within a period of six months from today.

16.03.2021
Waseem Ansari

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>