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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-12622-2021

Date of Decision: 18.03.2021

Deepak Kumar

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. B.S. Bhalla, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

[1]. Notice of motion.

[2]. Mr. J.S. Ghuman, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent.

[3]. After hearing both sides and in view of the specific submission made on behalf of the petitioner to the effect that his client is a Student, who is to proceed to Canada in connection with joining his Hotel Management Course, which is scheduled to start around the month of September this year, and the fact that the petitioner was admittedly not medically examined to confirm whether he had actually consumed any drug or narcotic substance, which is a *sine quo non* to constitute offence under Section 27 of the N.D.P.S. Act, under which the Challan against him has been submitted, the present petition is disposed off with a direction upon the Ld. Trial Court to make an endeavour to complete the trial as expeditiously as possible, and preferably before the month of September this year.

[4]. Further, in passing its final judgment, the Ld. Trial Court is also expected to be mindful of the provision under Section 222(2) of the Cr.P.C.

18.03.2021

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
2. Whether reportable: Yes/No