

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

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**CRM-M-25478-2021
Decided on : 09.07.2021**

Amanpreet Singh

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

(Through Video Conferencing)

PRESENT: Mr. Ramesh Chand Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, AAG, Punjab
assisted by ASI Shamsheer Singh.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (Oral)

This is the third petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 176, dated 08.08.2019, under Sections 366-A, 376 IPC of 1860 and Section 4 of the POCSO Act, 2012, registered at Police Station Samrala, District Khanna, Ludhiana.

Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner has failed to satisfy this Court *qua* any material change in circumstances, which would warrant entertaining the instant petition.

Petition stands dismissed.

However, a request has been made by learned counsel for the petitioner that since the petitioner has been in custody since August, 2019 and only 02 out of the 14 prosecution witnesses cited, have been examined till now, a direction be issued to the trial Court concerned to expedite the

trial.

Keeping in view the prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner that petitioner has been in custody for almost 02 years, the trial Court concerned is directed to expedite the trial and make all endeavours to conclude the same expeditiously, preferably within a period of eight months from the date of this order.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

July 09, 2021

J.Ram

Whether speaking/reasoned: *Yes/No*

Whether Reportable: *Yes/No*